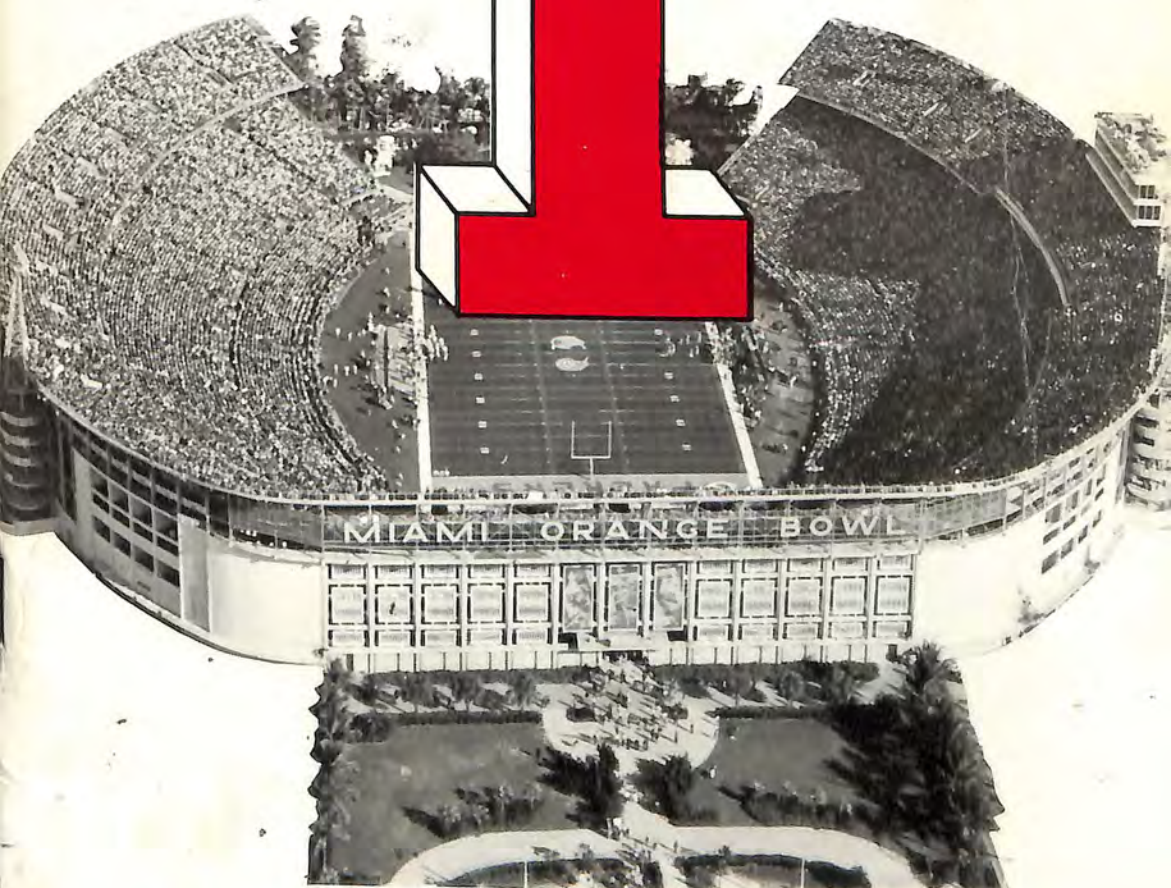


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1971 ALABAMA SCORES AND ATTENDANCE

Date	Score	Site	Crowd
Sept. 10	Alabama 17, Southern Cal 10	Los Angeles	67,781
Sept. 18	Alabama 42, Sou. Mississippi 6	Tuscaloosa	52,701
Sept. 25	Alabama 38, Florida 0	Gainesville	61,832
Oct. 2	Alabama 40, Mississippi 6	Birmingham	72,871
Oct. 9	Alabama 42, Vanderbilt 0	Nashville	34,000
Oct. 16	Alabama 32, Tennessee 15	Birmingham	73,828
Oct. 23	Alabama 34, Houston 20	Tuscaloosa	56,939
Oct. 30	Alabama 41, Mississippi State 10	Jackson	40,500
Nov. 6	Alabama 14, Louisiana State 7	Baton Rouge (TV)	64,982
Nov. 13	Alabama 31, Miami 3	Tuscaloosa	57,313
Nov. 27	Alabama 31, Auburn 7	Birmingham (TV)	68,821

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College Football's Own Super Bowl

College football's own version of the Super Bowl unfolds on the artificial turf of Miami's colorful Orange Bowl New Year's night, with the national championship to be determined in the showcase game of intercollegiate football.

It's #1 ranked Nebraska against #2 ranked Alabama, both undefeated, with star-studded lineups and impressive statistical credentials.

Nebraska is the defending national champion, having won the title last year on the same field when it downed another Southeastern Conference school, Louisiana State University. The Cornhuskers have been ranked number one all season, while Coach Paul (Bear) Bryant's Crimson Tide started off 16th and moved up the charts steadily as it dropped ranking team after ranking team to finally settle in the number two spot after regular season play.

This is the first time since 1955 that two bowl teams have matched spotless records and is only the eighth time in 103 years of collegiate competition. The last two teams to collide in this manner were Oklahoma and Maryland, with the Sooners winning 20-6, also in the Orange Bowl.

Typical of Alabama's great football tradition this is the third time a Crimson Tide team has been involved in a battle of bowl unbeatens, having whipped Washington State, 24-0 in the 1930 Rose Bowl and fighting to a 7-7 tie with Stanford in the 1926 Rose Bowl.

Nebraska has a great team on both offense and defense. Coach Bob Devaney's offense is so diversified that it ranks eighth in the nation in total offense, yet doesn't rank in the top 15 in either rushing or passing, showing a beautiful blend of both.

Quarterback Jerry Tagge is a big, strong young man who averaged 185.5 yards in total offense this season and passed 214 times, hit on 131, had only four intercepted, for a percentage of .612, had 1,771 yards in the air and threw for 14 touchdowns.

He has two outstanding running backs in swift moving Johnny Rodgers and strong, skillful Jeff Kinney.

The 'Huskers rolled up 433.7 yards a game, scoring 51 touchdowns and averaging 38.5 points a game, third best in the nation.

On defense Nebraska is big, strong and quick. It gave up only 198.5 yards a game, fifth best, had an average of only 8.6 points a game scored upon it and 31 of those came from Oklahoma. Against the rush Nebraska allowed only 89.5 yards a game, thus the Tide surely has its work cut out since Bama's strength is in its running attack.

Bama counters with super-star Johnny Musso, who is the Southeastern Conference's greatest rusher and scorer in history. He teams with nifty Terry Davis at quarterback, explosive Joe LaBue at right halfback and the 1-2 punch of Steve Bisceglia and Ellis Beck at fullback.

Alabama ranks 13th in total offense, with a 382.5 average. It has the nation's fourth best running game at 324.1, the seventh best scoring punch at 32.9, and probably faced the toughest schedule in the nation.

The Tide faced five teams who finished the season in the top 20, and all of them are bowl bound—Auburn, Tennessee, Houston, Ole Miss, and LSU.

The Tide defense is a source of pride, too, since it was seventh in the land with a yield of only 219.7. Bama gave up just 10 touchdowns in 11 games, third best in the nation. The Tide was 10th in rushing defense at 116.5, and second in scoring defense at 7.6.

Alabama won the national championship in Miami on January 1, 1966, when it beat Nebraska, 39-28. The next year, in New Orleans for the Sugar Bowl, Bama walloped the Huskers, 34-7, to finish 11-0, but was deprived of a third straight national title in the polls.

A national collegiate playoff series has been talked about for years now, but hasn't gotten very far. NCAA Executive Director Walter Byers has been one of the staunch supporters of the playoffs and when they tee it up in Miami, Walter will be out there in TV land smiling. Take a bow, Walter.

Silver Anniversary Bowl Trip For Tide

This will be Alabama's sixth trip to the Orange Bowl classic, its 25th overall post-season trip and Coach Paul (Bear) Bryant's 18th time to climb into the bowl ring as a head coach.

Alabama, and Bryant, have been to more bowl games than any team and coach in the history of college football.

It is fitting that the Tide's Silver Anniversary bowl game also affords Bama an opportunity to play for the National Championship of college football for 1971.

This is Alabama's 13th consecutive bowl trip, all under Bryant.

Alabama's first bowl venture was the 1925 team going to the Rose Bowl where it met a great Washington team. The Crimson Tide stunned the Western football world by winning, 20-19, and ever since has been a favorite of bowl selection committees with its great tradition, outstanding players, color, tremendous fan following and its national appeal for the television networks.

The Tide's first trip to the Orange Bowl was by the 1942 team, playing Boston College in the 1943 Miami classic. Alabama came from behind to win, 37-21. The Tide's 1952 team ripped Syracuse, 61-6, the 1962 team tripped up Oklahoma, 17-0, but the 1964 unbeaten National Championship club lost to Texas, 21-17. The next year, however, Bama downed Nebraska, 39-28, to win the national title.

A complete game-by-game recap of all of Alabama's previous 24 bowl games is included in the back of this brochure.

Alabama's bowl record is 12 wins, 9 losses and three ties. The Tide stands 3-2-1 in bowl action against Big Eight Conference opponents.

Coach Bryant's first bowl game as a head coach was in 1947 when he took Kentucky to the now defunct Great Lake Bowl and defeated Villanova, 24-14. In 1949 Bryant took UK to the Orange Bowl, losing to Santa Clara, 21-13. In 1950 Bryant pulled off one of his greatest coaching victories as his Kentucky team downed Oklahoma, 13-7, in the Sugar Bowl and ended a long Sooner winning streak and tarnished the national championship trophies Oklahoma already was busy shining.

The 1951 season saw Bryant taking Kentucky to the Cotton Bowl and a 20-7 triumph over Texas Christian. Bryant's Texas A&M team lost, 3-0, to Tennessee in the Gator Bowl.

Then Bryant came to Alabama and took his 1959 team to the Liberty Bowl, losing 7-0, to Penn State. That was the first of 13 in a row.

Alabama teams have made the trip to Pasadena for the Rose Bowl six times, this will be the sixth time in the Orange Bowl, it has played in the Sugar Bowl five times, three times in the Cotton Bowl, twice in the Astro-Bluebonnet and Liberty Bowls and once to the Gator Bowl.

It might be noted, also, that Alabama's last bowl victory came at the hands of Nebraska, 34-7, in the Sugar Bowl game by the 1966 team. It lost three in a row and last year tied Oklahoma, 24-24, in the Astro-Bluebonnet bowl game.

THE CRIMSON TIDE OFFENSE

84 DAVID BAILEY SPLIT END

Senior, 6-1, 193, Three year starter, Bailey, Mississippi . . . Alabama's all-time pass receiving king was selected to the All-SEC team this season as a tight end despite the fact that he didn't rank in the top 10 in the league in receiving. The reason was simple: everyone recognized he played a major role in the Tide success story by becoming an outstanding blocker, was still a highly dangerous receiver, and had played both the split end position and tight end. In three seasons Bailey caught 132 passes for 1,857 yards, both Alabama records, had scored 13 touchdowns and a total of 82 points. Holds single season receiving record of 56 catches and single game mark of 12 receptions, done two different times, as a soph and junior against Tennessee. And his 187 yards in pass receiving yardage against Auburn as a sophomore also is a UA single game record. In Bama's wishbone-offense the Tide passed much less than David's other two years as a starter, so it was necessary for him to become a blocker. Johnny Musso sums it up: "David was a great receiver as a sophomore and junior. This year they asked him to be a blocker, and he became a great one." This year he caught two touchdown passes against Tennessee and Houston and one against Ole Miss, all from Terry Davis.

David Bailey's Career Stats

Year	Caught	Yards	Avg.	TDs
1969 (Sophomore)	56	781	13.9	2
1970. (Junior)	55	790	14.0	6
1971 (Senior)	21	286	13.9	2
TOTALS	132	1,857	13.9	13

54 JIM KRAPF LEFT TACKLE

Junior, 6-0, 235, Two year starter, Newark, Delaware . . . Remarkable success story to this exceptional athlete. Named to the All-SEC team this year for his work on offense. As a sophomore in 1970 he was Bama's leading defensive tackler as the starting middle linebacker with 92 stops, two interceptions and six batted down passes. Was named to the All-SEC sophomore team as a linebacker in 1970. This year he was shifted to offense just 10 days before the opening game against Southern Cal, in an effort to get additional help in the blocking department. Krapf's results were astounding. He graded higher than anyone on the team in his very first game, hitting 83 percent, and it was one of the best grades ever by a Tide blocker. A good bet for All-American honors next year as a senior. Was the SEC heavyweight wrestling champion as a freshman and sophomore after being a three-time national prep heavyweight champion. Went to Tatnall Academy in Wilmington, Delaware. Jim has a pilot's license, drives a dune buggy, skis (snow and water) and sometimes spends his summers working for his father, who owns one of the largest construction firms in the East. He spent the summer of 1970 in Holland working on a family yacht.



BAILEY



KRAPF



ROSSER



GRAMMER



P. RAINES



HANNAH



BROWN



SIMMONS

72 JIMMY ROSSER LEFT GUARD

Senior, 6-0, 225, Two year starter, Birmingham, Alabama . . . The real unsung hero of the Tide forward wall. Didn't garner any post-season honors but over the last two years has been the most consistent blocker up front. Overshadowed by giant John Hannah and Jim Krapf, but coaching staff concedes he is just as tough. Auburn's Tommy Yearout called Rosser "the best I've ever faced," which is a real tribute. Started every game at quick tackle as a junior then was shifted to guard in the new offensive setup. Jim comes off the ball quickly, has the strength to keep from being man-handled by bigger opponents and in general seldom fails to complete his assignment. A quiet type, Jim was a key senior leader for the Tide this year and is due credit for his contributions to an 11-0 season.

55 JIMMY GRAMMER CENTER

Senior, 5-11, 202, Two year starter, Hartselle, Alabama . . . Named to the UPI All-SEC team, the Jimmy Grammer comeback story is worthy of mention. He played guard and center as a soph, then nailed down the starting center job as a junior in 1970. In the first, game against Southern Cal, he suffered a broken leg and was lost for the year. "Jimmy's return to form was a big plus this season," says Bama's Bear Bryant. Grammer was a question mark going into the season due to knee injury he suffered in the spring, but he came through with flying colors. Quick off the ball, he isn't overpowering but doesn't get whipped often. He has a shoulder which kept slipping out of place late this season, but he continued to play and play well. When the shoulder went out, he would take himself out of the game, get repaired and head right back into the thick of action without a whimper.

53 PAT RAINES CENTER

Junior, 6-2, 207, Montgomery, Alabama . . . Shared starting duties with Jimmy Grammer this season and played well. Does good job on snapping for punts. Started most of the time last season after Grammer was hurt in the opening game. Winner of the "Paul Crane Most Improved Offensive Lineman Award" last spring. Pat isn't overpowering physically but has good quickness and fires off the ball. Played at Sidney Lanier high where his teams were 33-1 his three years, winning three state championships. Younger brother, Mike, plays defensive tackle for Bama this year.

73 JOHN HANNAH RIGHT GUARD

Junior, 6-3, 273, Two year starter, Albertville, Alabama . . . All-America this season and looked upon as perhaps the finest offensive lineman in Alabama history. Named National Lineman of the Week by AP after his great game against Florida, which was the first time an interior lineman on offense had won the award since two platoon football. A three-sport letterman for Bama, something else that is a rarity. Voted Southeast Lineman of the Week after Florida and Auburn games, when Tide offense really rolled behind his awesome blocking. First team All-America by the American Football Coaches Association (Kodak), Detroit Sports Extra, and was second team selection by Associated Press and United Press International. Was unanimous All-SEC selection and second in the Jacobs Block-

ing Award balloting. Also received heavy Southern support in voting for Outland Award. Undeclared in wrestling as a freshman, winning Southern championship. Also lettered in track as a freshman, then as a sophomore he didn't wrestle. He concentrated on football last spring but still found time to set school records in the shot put (60-1) and discus (177-9), with both marks ranking nationally. Was second in the SEC shot and discus, despite working only on weekends due to football interest. Father, Herb Hannah, was an all-star lineman for Bama in 1948-49-50, playing in both North-South and Senior Bowl games. Uncle Bill Hannah, who died this season in a tragic plane accident while coaching at California State at Fullerton, played on Coach Bryant's first Alabama team, and cousin Steve Dildine was two-time SEC wrestling champion last two years. A truly remarkable athlete.

65 BUDDY BROWN RIGHT TACKLE

Sophomore, 6-2, 237, One year starter, Tallahassee, Florida . . . At the start of fall practice Buddy Brown was just another name on the depth chart, but quickly stepped in and won a starting spot, climaxing it by being named to the Sophomore All-America team and Sophomore All-SEC team. His coming through was another of the several success stories behind Bama's unblemished season. Had been a defensive tackle in high school and until last spring. Suffered a broken hand in the spring which stymied his progress, but showed he meant business early. Started very first game and remained a starter except for one game this fall, when he was ailing. Big and strong, he is perfectly suited to the Tide's triple option offense. Went to Leon high in Tallahassee, where he was teammate of Bama QB Billy Sexton.

85 JIM SIMMONS TIGHT END

Senior, 6-5, 230, One year starter, Yazoo City, Mississippi . . . Until this year Jim Simmons had lettered twice but really hadn't been the caliber of player he wanted to be. A broken leg by last year's sophomore starter Randy Moore afforded Jim the chance to move to the front this year and he nailed down the job with a fine performance. Big and strong, he gave the Tide blocking it needed. After the 1970 Southern Cal game, Jim was suspended from the team along with defensive end Robin Parkhouse for failing to show up for practice. He asked permission to rejoin the team, was granted his request but with the stipulation he had to be on the "B" team for one month. Upon being reinstated he came back strong. Caught four passes for 51 yards against Mississippi State for his top single game showing. His size makes him a pro prospect and he probably will be drafted.

Jim Simmons Career Stats

Year	Caught	Yards	Avg.	TDs
1969 (Sophomore)	6	94	15.7	0
1970 (Junior)	4	51	12.8	0
1971 (Senior)	3	37	12.3	1
TOTALS	13	182	14.0	1



T. DAVIS



MUSO



LaBUE



BISCEGLIA



BECK



GANTT



B. DAVIS



SAWYER

10 TERRY DAVIS QUARTERBACK

Junior, 6-0, 173, One Year starter, Bogalusa, Louisiana . . . "Terry Davis is the most underrated quarterback in the nation," is the way Auburn coach Shug Jordan described Bama's wishbone wizard following the Tide's 31-7 conquest of the Tigers. What a job this youngster did in 1971. He went into the fall as a shaky #1 choice for the quarterbacking job, had the task of adjusting to a complete new offense in just three weeks and has never directed a losing game for the Tide. The triple option offense requires the QB to make some split second reading of the defense, make decisions and then carry out the play. Davis adjusted well and by the end of the season was looking like he grew up running it. Terry has fine quickness and despite those who say he can't pass, his statistics say he throws exceptionally well. He ran the ball 138 times, second highest, picked up 448 net yards and averaged 3.3 per carry, scoring six times. In the passing department he threw 66 times, hit on 42 for 452 yards and eight touchdowns and a percentage of .636. His top game was the finale against Auburn. He had 141 yards in total offense, but more importantly directed the offense so well it controlled the football 41:49 of a possible 60 and kept Auburn's highly-touted offense on the bench. He scored two touchdowns against Miami and Auburn and had single scores against Tennessee and LSU, all key scores. He clicked on nine of 11 passes for 105 yards against Auburn and one of the incompletions was a clock-killing out-of-bounds intentional one. Played in six games as a sophomore, scoring against Florida. Overshadowed in Alabama by Pat Sullivan's great statistics, he was the best QB on the field in the head-to-head match. Should be one of the nation's best next year as a senior.

Terry Davis Career Stats

Year	No.	Rushing				Passing					Scoring Points
		Yds.	Avg.	TD		Att.	Comp.	Yds.	Pct.	TD	
1970 (Soph)	24	136	5.7	7		14	5	99	.643	0	6
1971 (Junior)	138	448	3.3	6		66	42	452	.636	8	40
TOTALS	162	584	3.6	7		80	51	551	.638	8	46

22 JOHNNY MUSSO LEFT HALFBACK

Senior, 5-11, 191, Three year starter, Birmingham, Alabama . . . All-American, national scholar-athlete, co-SEC Player of the Year, two-time Academic All-America, two-time All-SEC and called by Paul Bryant, "the greatest back I've ever coached." Truly amazing athlete who doesn't have great size or exceptional speed but is a great short yardage runner, tremendous blocker, and good passer. Was fourth in the Heisman Trophy voting and has garnered more post-season honors than any Tide player in recent history. Statistically the greatest runner and scorer in Southeastern Conference ad Alabama history. Holds eight SEC records and 14 school records. First team All-America pick by United Press International, Football News, Football Writers Association, American Football Coaches Association, and Detroit Sports Extra. Second team pick up AP and NEA. Voted co-SEC player of the year by head coaches in the Nashville Banner poll with Pat Sullivan. Shared same honor with Sullivan from Miami Touchdown Club. One of 11 scholar-athletes selected by National Football Foundation and Hall of

Fame. National back of the week by AP for gutty play against Auburn in 31-7 Tide victory in battle of unbeatens when he gained 167 yards on 33 carries, scored twice, blocked like a demon and all of it on a left big toe that was so sore he was on crutches two weeks before the game. Wasn't until just before game time that Coach Bryant decided he would go ahead and start him and see if he could play. Only missed breaking all-time SEC career rushing record by 45 yards and missed entire Miami game and played sparingly against LSU or would have been a shoo-in. Records held are so lengthy impossible to list them all, but major ones are SEC career touchdowns of 38, career scoring of 232 points, career rushing average per game of 91.4, career rushing carries per game of 19.1. Went to Vietnam last summer for NCAA-Defense Department. Great leader not only to football team but student body. Young man of exceptional character who is nicknamed "The Italian Stallion" although he would prefer just to be called Johnny Musso. Played at Banks high in Birmingham. Football News named Musso top college football player in nation for 1971.

Johnny Musso Career Stats

Year	No.	Rushing			Passing			Receiving			Scoring Points
		Yds.	Avg.	TDs	A-C	Yds.	TDs	No.	Yds.	TDs	
1969 (Soph)	157	516	3.3	10	1-1	32	0	26	321	3	78
1970 (Junior)	226	1137	5.0	8	3-2	29	2	30	160	1	54
1971 (Senior)	191	1088	5.7	16	2-2	27	0	5	8	0	100
TOTALS	574	2741	4.8	34	6-5	88	2	61	495	4	232

30 JOE LaBUE RIGHT HALFBACK

Junior, 6-0, 195, One year starter, Memphis, Tennessee . . . Had the best per carry average in the SEC this year at 6.4 on 466 yards in 73 carries. Standout blocker, strong runner and a contact player. Top single game was against Ole Miss when he rushed five times for 72 yards, nearly 15 yards a carry. Missed the Miami game with a hamstring injury. Teamed with Johnny Musso to give Tide two exceptional blocking halfbacks, one of the keys to the triple option offense. When he turns the corner he explodes with power and enough speed to get where he's going in a hurry. Scored three touchdowns this season, one each against Southern Mississippi, Ole Miss and Houston. Injuries kept him from being a frontliner as a soph, but still ran 16 times for 86 yards and a 5.4 average. In the Auburn game he carried six times for 23 yards but also caught four passes for 45 yards despite playing without much work due to his leg ailment. Should be one of the top runners in the SEC next season.

Joe LaBue Career Stats

Year	No.	Rushing			No.	Receiving		Scoring Points
		Yds.	Avg.	TDs		Yds.	TDs	
1970 (Sophomore)	16	86	5.4	0	5	63	1	6
1971 (Junior)	73	466	6.4	3	5	43	0	18
TOTALS	89	552	6.2	3	10	106	1	24



WHEELER



WOOD



WHITE



COKELY



SPRAYBERRY



HUNT



BARRON



MARSHALL

44 STEVE BISCEGLIA FULLBACK

Junior, 5-11, 187, One year starter, Fresno, California . . . Moved into starting lineup last half of season and carries third best average per carry in SEC at 5.9. A deceptive runner, Steve doesn't appear particularly fast or powerful but he sorta glides through the line and somehow manages to eat up large chunks of yardage with long stride. Good blocker, too. Steve carried 80 times for 472 yards and scored two touchdowns, once against Southern Mississippi and again against Ole Miss. A transfer from Fresno Junior College, where he was captain of his team and Back of the Year in the conference. Averaged 6.7 yards per carry on 128 carries and scored eight tds as a senior at Fresno. Best single game showing this year was 76 yards on eight trips vs. Miami but was steady throughout season. His name is pronounced Ba-SHELL-ya. Father is. bigtime wine maker in California.

Steve Bisceglia Career Stats

Year	No.	Yards	Avg.	TDs	Points
1971 (Junior)	80	472	5.9	2	12

35 ELLIS BECK FULLBACK

Sophomore, 5-11, 192, One year starter, Ozark, Alabama . . . Opened the season as the starting fullback and now shares the position with Bisceglia. Finished as second leading rusher on team with 556 yards on 110 carries for 5.1 average and two touchdowns. Also caught three passes for 17 yards. Best game was 88 yards against Ole Miss, but had 78 against Mississippi State, 71 against Vanderbilt, 66 against Houston, 64 against Southern Mississippi, 62 against Tennessee and 53 versus Southern Cal. Finished as the eighth best rusher in the SEC this year. Has good quickness and balance and gives Bama good one-two punch at vital fullback position.

Ellis Beck Career Stats

Year	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Caught	Yds.	Avg.	Points
1971 (Soph)	110	556	5.1	2	3	17	5.7	12

8 GREG GANTT PUNTER-KICKOFFS

Sophomore, 6-1, 190, Birmingham, Alabama . . . Led Southeastern Conference in punting with fine 41.9 average this season as a sophomore and finished 10th in the national ranking. He did all of the Tide punting this year and his average enabled the team to break the old punting average record of 41.7. Greg punted 47 times for 1,967 yards, with his long kicks being a tremendous 85-yarder against Mississippi State. In the same game he booted a 71-yarder. Had a 58-yarder against Houston. Early in the season he got off to a shaky start in his average, but took over the SEC lead after the Miss. State game and finished strong. Went in against Vanderbilt and kicked a 36-yard field goal in his only attempt of the year. Gantt also handled the kickoff duties for the Tide and more often than not booms 'em into the end zone. His long range kicks and fine placement were key factors in Bama's 14-7 win over LSU and he played an important part all season in an area where Coach Bryant feels a number of games are won or lost.

1 BILL DAVIS EXTRA POINTS - FIELD GOALS

Sophomore, 6-2, 191, Columbus, Georgia . . . Broke Southeastern Conference record for scoring by kicking with 75 points from his talented toe, hitting 13 of 16 field goals and 36 of 40 extra points. Set school record for kick scoring and number of field goals, topping David Ray's old marks of 59 and 12. Scored 11 points against Mississippi State and 10 against Ole Miss. Hit first 17 extra points in a row and needed just one more to tie brother Steve's record of 18 straight until missing against Rebels. Field goals were: 37 vs. USC, 28 vs. Florida, 25 and 42 against Ole Miss, 33 vs. Vanderbilt, 27 and 39 vs. Tennessee, 20 and 33 vs. Miss. State, 29 and 38 vs. LSU, 34 vs. Miami and 41 vs. Auburn. Southern Mississippi and Houston only games he didn't attempt field goal. Bill is the third member of the amazing Davis family to kick for Bama and the trio has scored a total of 326 points kicking. Tim kicked from 1961 through 1963 and scored 139 points, Steve kicked in 1965 through 1967 and tallied 112. Father Alvin (Pig) Davis also played at Alabama in 1937-38, but didn't kick. Family's combined won-lost record is 85-8-3 and this will be the eighth bowl game a member of the group has played in. Was the fourth leading scorer in the SEC this year and is fourth in the nation in kick-scoring.

Bill Davis Career Stats

Year	FGA-FGM	XPA-XPM	Points	Avg.
1971 (Soph)	16 - 13	40 - 36	75	6.8

OTHERS ON OFFENSE

27 BUBBA SAWYER SPLIT END

Senior, 5-9, 170, Two letters, Fairhope, Alabama . . . The "little man" had a good senior season and don't let his size fool you, since he became a valuable blocker late this year and drew praise from the entire coaching staff with fiery play. Had an August hernia operation and at first it was thought he would be held out of action this year, but asked to play with his senior group. Was a sensation as a sophomore when he caught 18 passes for 371 yards, a 20.6 average. Also returned 13 kickoffs for 276 yards and a 21.2 average. Hurt much of his junior year he played sparingly and caught only one pass. He caught only three passes this year, but his blocking was main asset. Strange to see Bama lining up with a 170-pound tight end.

82 WAYNE WHEELER SPLIT END

Sophomore, 6-1, 172, Orlando, Florida . . . Second leading pass receiver with six catches for 143 yards and led team in average per catch at 23.8. Caught a TD pass against Mississippi State. Won the "Ray Perkins Most Improved Receiver" award last spring. Has good speed and should become a standout receiver the next two seasons.

92 DEXTER WOOD SPLIT END

Junior, 6-4, 184, One letter, Ozark, Alabama . . . Lanky receiver with good hands and will be a fine player before he finishes. Caught four passes for 52 yards as



WOODRUFF



HOBSON



SEXTON



RIPPETOE



JACKSON



STEAKLEY



KNAPP



SPIVEY

as a soph in 1970. This year grabbed four for 65 yards, including touchdown receptions against Southern Mississippi and Florida. Had a 56-yard catch on a pass from Benny Rippetoe vs. Southern Miss for longest pass play of year for the Tide.

66 JACK WHITE TACKLE-GUARD

Senior, 5-11, 213, Louisville, Mississippi . . . One of those young men who wind up playing after putting in a lot of rough time on the practice field, Jack filled in all along with line this season at guard and tackle and started against Miami in place of Buddy Brown at tackle. Quick-witted Jack comes out with some famous one-liners and keeps squad loose.

70 DON COKELY TACKLE

Senior, 6-3, 225, one letter, Chickasha, Oklahoma . . . Another young man who played some fina football in a backup role this season. Does good job of blocking up front. Came to Alabama from Northeastern Oklahoma junior college, where he was a juco All-American, on team that won national jc title. Pro golfer Orville Moody also is a native of Chickasha.

78 STEVE SPRAYBERRY TACKLE

Sophomore, 6-2, 204, Sylacauga, Alabama . . . A young player who saw enough action to get his feet good and wet and looms as a top prospect for future years. Should put on some weight and develop into front-liner. Co-captain of state high school 3A championship team, and also was trackman.

60 MORRIS HUNT GUARD

Sophomore, 6-0, 216, Orlando, Florida . . . Another versatile performer who at one time or the other played center, guard and tackle this season. His kind valuable to any team when injuries start cropping up, since he can play just about any position in the line. Good, strong blocker, with fine future as lineman for Tide.

63 MARVIN BARRON GUARD

Junior, 6-1, 218, one letter, Troy, Alabama . . . Played defensive tackle as a sophomore and this year saw duty at offensive guard and tackle, plus on defense at tackle. Valued fill-in player who can make the big play. Good worker who could make into starting lineup next season.

51 FRED MARSHALL CENTER

Senior, 5-9, 188, Montgomery, Alabama . . . Fred is a non-scholarship specialist for the Crimson Tide and fills a valuable need. He is a snap specialist for extra points and field goals. Too small to merit a college scholarship after playing at Sidney Lanier high in Montgomery, Fred decided to go out on his own at Alabama. The last two seasons have seen him getting in on a lot of one-play situations to snap. He's never had a bad snap, dating back to his prep career. "I just wedge in as tight as I can between John Hannah and Jimmy Rosser when I snap the ball and try to fight off the rush as best I can. I can tell you I've had a lot of beef piled on top of me every time I get in," Marshall grins.

7 GLENN WOODRUFF TIGHT END

Senior, 6-2, 208, Aliceville, Alabama . . . Backup performer at tight end, Glenn has done a good job this season for Bama. His season's hilitte was a one-yard touchdown pass he caught from Terry Davis against Mississippi State, the only points he scored in college. Glenn was the baseball team's regular catcher last spring and was the American Legion Player of the Year as a prep standout. He attended Marion Institute before transferring to Alabama.

17 BUTCH HOBSON QUARTERBACK

Junior, 6-0, 184, Bessemer, Alabama . . . Came on strong this season to wind up as the #2 signal caller for the Tide. Rushed 25 times for 154 yards and a fine 6.2 average, scoring two touchdowns. He passed eight times, connected on two for 29 yards. Butch is the son of former Bama quarterback Clell Hobson, who enjoyed a great day in the Orange Bowl against Syracuse as Bama won 61-6. A fine all-around athlete, Butch played third base for the Tide baseballers and is a long ball hitter. Also a good golfer. Played under his father at Bessemer high. Played some at defensive halfback as a sophomore, but moved back to quarterback this season and runs the triple option with skill. Scored TDs against Ole Miss and Miami.

14 BILLY SEXTON QUARTERBACK

Sophomore, 6-2, 191, Tallahassee, Florida . . . This talented athlete has really been a hard-luck case. A gifted passer, fine runner and good leader he has been hit with injuries his whole career, including having broken his collar bone twice as a freshman. This year he went into the fall battling with Terry Davis for the starting berth but injured his heel and has been able to play in only one game. He went in against Florida, threw two passes, hit on one for 11 yards, a touchdown aerial to Dexter Wood. Bill's father, Comer Bill Sexton, played football and baseball at Alabama.

15 BENNY RIPPETOE QUARTERBACK

Senior, 6-2, 183, Greeneville, Tennessee . . . Hasn't played much as a Tider but he has been effective when he has been in. Another player who has had injury troubles. His career totals are 10 completions out of 16 attempts in passing for 181 yards and one touchdown, that being a 25-yarder to Dexter Wood against Southern Mississippi. He hit three of four passes for 99 yards in that game. Rip suffered a broken collar bone last year as a junior that put him behind the other Tide signal callers.

80 WILBUR JACKSON LEFT HALFBACK

Sophomore, 6-1, 187, Ozark, Alabama . . . This sophomore speed merchant has the potential to be a real standout. Blessed with outstanding speed, this was his first time ever to play as a running back. Broke for a 67-yard touchdown sprint against Miami for his only score of the season, but carried a total of 37 times for 211 net yards, a 5.7-average. Also had a 48-yard gallop against Florida, the two



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longest runs of the season for Bama. Prepped at Carroll high where he was a top pass receiver and started out this year as a split receiver, but the change in offensive plans moved Wilbur to a running back spot. He started against Miami when Musso was out with injuries and responded with some hard-nosed running. Churned out 90 yards against the Hurricanes for his best day. Had 65 yards against Florida.

34 ROD STEAKLEY LEFT HALFBACK

Senior, 5-10, 163, Huntsville, Alabama . . . Smallest man on the team, Rod came to Alabama without a scholarship but won one as a freshman with his speed and determination. Carried nine times this year for 23 yards. As a junior carried one for 30 yards. Served as one of the Tide co-captains against Southern Cal, which has to be his biggest thrill in college. A fine student Rod was chosen as the outstanding ROTC cadet at summer camp.

39 DAVID KNAPP RIGHT HALFBACK

Junior, 6-0, 186, One letter, Birmingham, Alabama . . . David played defensive halfback as a sophomore and started the fall that way, then was moved to offense to supply depth. Came on strong at the end of the season, getting starting nod against Miami when Joe LaBue was out with injury. David gained 81 yards against Miami on 12 carries. Scored touchdown against Mississippi State on a 16-yard dash around left end. Caught a 16-yard pass in 31-7 win over Auburn. Prepped at Ramsay high, where he was the MVP in Jefferson County.

24 PAUL SPIVEY RIGHT HALFBACK

Sophomore, 5-11, 190, Montgomery, Alabama . . . Probably the fastest player ever for a Bryant-coached team, Paul has been hurt all year. Separated his shoulder early in fall practice, then after seeing light duty against Southern Cal, pulled a hamstring against Southern Mississippi in the second game. Got in against LSU and threw one outstanding block to spring Joe LaBue for a long run. Has tremendous potential. Broke all freshman rushing and scoring records a year ago. Carried six times for 16 yards this year. Top baseballer, too, being drafted by the major leagues in the prep draft but decided to attend college and play football. Won the Jimmy Hitchcock Award for city of Montgomery, as outstanding scholar-athlete and leader. Fine student.

46 JERRY CASH RIGHT HALFBACK

Senior, 5-10, 170, Two letters, Bogart, Georgia . . . Jerry may have set some sort of record as a junior when he scored every time he touched the football. He was a receiver three times for scores of 15, 14 and 21 yards, he had one official carry for a four-yard TD, and he carried once on a successful two-point extra point. Holds Alabama high jump record of 6-8 and won Kentucky Relays Decathlon championship two years ago. Member of Tide kick coverage teams and usually first man down the field and gets in on a lot of tackles in covering kicks.

THE CRIMSON TIDE DEFENSE

90 ROBIN PARKHOUSE LEFT END

Senior, 6-3, 204, Three year starter, Orlando, Florida . . . An All-Southeastern Conference and second team All-American performer, Robin is considered by many to be Alabama's No. 1 defensive player. Robin turned in 44 individual tackles and helped out on 25 others this year to rank fourth statistically. He led the team in tackling the opposition for losses, making nine tackles behind the line of scrimmage for a total of minus 50 yards. He was tied for the lead in opponents' fumbles caused (four) and recovered two enemy fumbles. Four times this season he broke up passes with his rush. Robin was suspended for a month last year, but came back to be probably the outstanding defensive end in the SEC as a junior. He was named winner of last spring's "Lee Roy Jordan Headhunter Award" for his spring training efforts. His father, Charles J. Parkhouse, was a boxer of some note at Malvern College in England during his collegiate days. Robin has bright red hair and is nicknamed "The Pink Panther." He earned lineman of the week honors twice this year.

97 JOHN MITCHELL RIGHT END

Junior, 6-3, 230, Junior College Transfer, Mobile, Alabama . . . John came to Alabama this year from Eastern Arizona JC, where he was an All-American and the number one junior college prospect of a number of top football schools, including Texas and Southern Cal. Turned in 35 tackles and 15 assists this year and eight of those tackles caught the opposition for lost yardage, a total of 43 minus yards. He caused a team high (tie) four fumbles and recovered one opponent's bobble. He also broke up one pass. John was named co-defensive player of the week with teammate Robin Parkhouse for his play against LSU. He plans a career in law.

57 TERRY ROWELL LEFT TACKLE

Senior, 5-11, 180, Three year starter, Heidelberg, Mississippi . . . Probably the smallest defensive tackle in the nation, Terry has to make up for his size with quickness and he does a whale of a job of it. This year he turned in 40 individual stops and 25 assists and nine times caught the opposition for losses totaling 39 yards. He recovered three opponents' fumbles, tying the high for the team, and caused one. He also broke up a pass. A middle guard his sophomore year, he was moved to tackle when Alabama went to a four-man front. He was a high school running back and prep track star as a sprinter, earning four letters in each sport.

77 JEFF BEARD RIGHT TACKLE

Senior, 6-2, 235, Two year starter, Bessemer, Alabama . . . Although only a part-time starter in 1970, Jeff came on strong in 1971 to be one of the top defensive linemen in the Southeastern Conference. He broke his hand against LSU—a game in which he was named Lineman of the Week—but went back in and played until the final gun despite the injury. He was held out of the Miami game, but started and went the distance against Auburn. He finished the season with 24 individual



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stops and 17 assists and made seven of his tackles behind the line for 39 minus yards. He caused four fumbles, tying for the team high, and broke up two passes. He retains some of his high school fullback quickness, making him a fine pass rusher.

56 JEFF ROUZIE STRONGSIDE LINEBACKER

Junior, 6-1, 231, Two year starter, Jacksonville, Florida . . . Jeff turned in 63 individual tackles this season, high on the team, and had another 27 assists. Four times he caught opponents for minus yardage. He pulled down two interceptions this year for 35 yards, recovered two enemy fumbles and broke up one pass. In last year's Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl game, Jeff was voted the game's outstanding lineman award, although he feels it was far from his best game. Pat Dye, who coaches Alabama linebackers, says that Jeff works harder than any football player he's ever been associated with; that Jeff makes the greatest effort of any football player he's ever seen to improve on every play whether in practice or during the game; and that Jeff will go hard when he's hurting while a lot of others would want to stop.

36 CHUCK STRICKLAND MIDDLE LINEBACKER

Sophomore, 6-3, 215, First year starter, Chattanooga, Tennessee . . . The third-leading tackler on the Alabama team with 50 individual stops and 22 assists, Chuck stepped right into the middle linebacker's spot this year which made it possible for Jim Krapf to move to the offensive line. It may be that Chuck is the finest sophomore linebacker ever to play at Alabama. He started every game and improved markedly each week. He was named to All-American and All-SEC Sophomore teams. He intercepted two passes, returning them for a total of 33 yards; he caused two opponents' fumbles and also recovered two; he broke up five passes; and he made one tackle behind the line for a nine-yard enemy loss. One of his biggest moments came last spring when he was called down from his dorm room by Coach Bryant to be introduced to former Alabama middle linebacker Lee Roy Jordan. Chuck, Lee Roy and Coach Bryant discussed the play of the middle linebacker during lunch, an early indication that Chuck would be playing that spot come fall.

50 WAYNE HALL MIDDLE LINEBACKER

Sophomore, 6-3, 210, Huntsville, Alabama . . . Wayne is the backup linebacker at all three positions, but, probably sees more action in the middle than anywhere else. He's considered a starter because he puts in so much playing time. His story is one of true perseverance as he has overcome four knee operations (two per joint) to become a winning football player. This year he turned in 24 individual tackles and eight assists. He made two of his tackles behind the line of scrimmage and had three fumble recoveries. He was an All-State lineman and was captain of the North All-Star football team his senior year.

42 TOM SURLAS WEAKSIDE LINEBACKER

Senior, 5-11, 198, One year starter, Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania . . . One of the true surprises of this season and one of the real keys to Alabama's defensive success,

Tom earned All-Southeastern Conference and All-American honors. He was injured most of his junior year, but came on this season to be Alabama's leading tackler with 45 individual stops and 46 assists. He also intercepted two passes (returning them for 25 yards), caused three fumbles and broke up two passes. Twice he made tackles behind the line of scrimmage. Tom came to Alabama from Ellsworth (Iowa) Junior College, choosing Alabama because it had a reputation of willing to play with small, but good, football players. He was not at all happy with his junior season, but puts the blame squarely on himself for it. "I got hurt and began feeling sorry for myself when I should have been trying all the harder. I was a more determined football player this fall," he explains.

49 STEVE HIGGINBOTHAM LEFT HALFBACK

Senior, 6-1, 170, Two year starter, Hueytown, Alabama . . . All-Southeastern Conference and the SEC's leading pass interceptor with 20, Steve has become an outstanding football player. He intercepted seven passes this fall, returning them for 108 yards, including one touchdown. He's pulled that trick before, taking one 80 yards for an icing touchdown as a junior against Houston in the Astrodome last year. He had 107 yards on five interceptions as a junior and the 226 yards in career interceptions is a school record. He also led the team in passes broken up with nine. Steve made 38 individual stops, many of them in one-on-one situations in the open field, and had 15 assists. He tackles with a great deal of shock power. Two of his tackles went for opponents' losses. Higg, as his teammates call him, prepped at Hueytown High under his father, Coach Morris Higginbotham, now the coach at Scottsboro High. Steve also returned one punt this year for 37 yards.

28 STEVE WILLIAMS RIGHT HALFBACK

Senior, 5-11, 175, Two year starter, Tuscaloosa, Alabama . . . Steve almost didn't make it back for his senior season this year because of an accident last fall. He was the victim of an accidental shooting, taking the slug in his chest, and had to drop several classes. As a result, he almost wasn't eligible for 1971 football participation. However, he has completely recovered from the wound and has also been one of the most surprising Alabama football players. He broke up eight passes this fall, made five tackles behind the line for opponents' losses, caused one fumble, recovered three fumbles and blocked a punt. In addition to being a fine defensive back, Steve returned 11 kickoffs for 265 yards and seven punts for 66 yards. He was named the Outstanding Defensive Back in the 1969 Liberty Bowl Game. Steve is also an outstanding Bama track man (he turned in a 9.6 last spring in a dual meet). Steve more or less recruited himself, bringing film from his prep days as a three-sport letterman and captain at Moline, Ill., and when he won a scholarship his family moved South to be able to watch him play.

26 BOBBY McKINNEY RIGHT HALFBACK

Junior, 5-11, 184, Mobile, Alabama . . . Bobby suffered a broken leg and missed all of his freshman year, but you'd never know it now, especially when he's returning punts and kickoffs. He ran back 11 kickoffs for 282 yards, a 25.6 average, and handled 25 punts for 326 yards, a 13.0 average, and had one for 55 yards



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and a touchdown. Another was good for 64 yards and set up a score. He's also a capable defensive back and intercepted one pass this year, returning it 24 yards. He broke up two passes, turned in 11 tackles and made two assists.

40 LANNY NORRIS STRONG SAFETY

Junior, 6-0, 192, Two year starter, Russellville, Alabama . . . Plagued by injuries, Lanny has nevertheless been a top performer for Alabama the past two seasons. He split playing time this year, but still had 21 tackles and 11 assists and made one interception. He broke up four passes. He suffered a broken arm before his sophomore season and had to be redshirted. He missed one game last season, but parts of several others with nagging injuries. Then last spring he came up with hamstring pull that kept him out of most of the drills and had a re-occurrence of the injury in the spring. He's a hard hitting back who is big enough to play up close on running plays, quick enough to defend against the pass in throwing situations.

18 DAVID McMAKIN STRONG SAFETY

Sophomore, 6-3½, 204, One year starter, Tucker, Georgia . . . A former quarterback who said he'd rather play defense, David started about half the games and played about half the time in his sophomore season. He was last spring's winner of the "Jerry Duncan I like to Practice Award" and has been an outstanding sophomore performer. His brother, John, has been a fine tight end for Clemson the past few years and is a likely pro prospect. David made 14 tackles and had 12 assists this season and turned in one interception. He broke up two passes on safety blitzes and twice caught opposing quarterbacks with the same technique for losses totaling 23 yards. David recovered two fumbles for Alabama.

32 STEVE WADE SAFETY

Junior, 6-2, 181, One year starter, Dothan, Alabama . . . Steve took over the same position that his brother, Tommy, played for three years at Alabama. He was injured on the opening kickoff against Mississippi State this year and missed the rest of that game and all of the LSU game. Nevertheless, he turned in 10 tackles and six assists, made two interceptions which he returned for 22 yards, broke up two passes and recovered a fumble. One of his strong suits is on kickoff coverage and he has captained the kicking team several times this year. He won the "Bobby Johns Most Improved Defensive Back Award" in spring training. He was an all-around prep athlete and is now Alabama's backup punter (he had one punt for 38 yards as a sophomore).

21 WAYNE ADKINSON SAFETY

Junior, 5-11, 178, Dothan, Alabama . . . It's interesting that Dothan has given Alabama both of its safetymen since Wayne and Steve Wade split playing time at the position. Wayne is a converted receiver who began defensive backfield duties last year. He had eight tackles and four assists this year, intercepted one pass, broke up four passes and recovered one enemy fumble. He's a former track sprinter and if needed could be called on for punt or kickoff return duties. He has been plagued with a shoulder injury this year.

OTHERS ON DEFENSE

83 JOHN CROYLE END

Sophomore, 6-6, 205, Gadsden, Alabama . . . Out all of his first two years at Alabama with a severe knee injury, this former prep All-American in two sports has worked his way back to a prominent role. He made 14 tackles and had six assists and four times caught opponents for losses (totaling 29 yards). He caused two fumbles and broke up two passes behind the line.

93 DAVID WATKINS END

Sophomore, 6-2, 195, Rome, Georgia . . . David, who also can fill in at weakside linebacker, turned in 20 individual tackles and nine assists this fall and six of his tackles were behind the line of scrimmage. He's a contact football player who makes up for his lack of size with fine quickness and shocking tackles. A brother, Randy, was a Georgia Tech football player.

81 TOM LUSK END

Junior, 6-1, 197, Clarksville, Tennessee . . . Another who can play at either linebacker or end, Tom made one tackle for lost yardage this year. He's a fine pass rusher who has broken up seven passes over the past two seasons behind the line. He was a track star as well as footballer in high school.

86 JIMMY HORTON END

Senior, 6-½, 193, Tarrant, Alabama . . . Jimmy has been in on 10 tackles this fall and twice made stops behind the line. If needed, he could also put in time at tight end on offense. As well as a multi-talented high school athlete (earning letters in baseball and basketball), he was an honor student.

96 JIM PATTERSON TACKLE

Senior, 6-3, 255, Annandale, Virginia . . . A history of injuries has limited Jim's career at Alabama, but he had an outstanding spring (winning the "Billy Neighbors Most Improved Defensive Lineman Award") and came on to be the No. 3 tackle this fall. He turned in nine tackles and had two assists, made one tackle behind the line. An older brother, Mike, was a Tide trackman and a younger brother, Steve, will be a sophomore lineman next season at Alabama.

95 SKIP KUBELIUS TACKLE

Sophomore, 6-3, 255, Morrow, Georgia . . . Very big, very strong and improving weekly, Skip could be an outstanding defender before he's through. He was in on five tackles this fall, caused one fumble, made one tackle for a loss and recovered two fumbles. He got behind last spring when he suffered a neck injury and missed all but a couple of days of the work.

74 MIKE RAINES TACKLE

Sophomore, 6-5, 242, Montgomery, Alabama . . . The younger (but not little) brother of Bama center Pat Raines, Mike was in on nine tackles this fall. He made



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two of those tackles behind the line of scrimmage. In addition to his football honors, Mike earned prep letters in basketball and baseball at Lanier High School. In the state high school All-Star game he blocked a punt that led to an easy score in a 13-9 victory.

52 ANDY CROSS LINEBACKER

Junior, 5-10, 196, Birmingham, Alabama . . . Andy was in on 13 tackles this year, backing up at both strongside and weakside linebacker spots. He was an outstanding high school running back at Ensley, but moved to defense as an Alabama sophomore. He has also earned an Alabama letter as a wrestler. He makes up for a lack of size with quickness and aggressiveness.

25 JEFF BLITZ LINEBACKER

Sophomore, 5-11, 190, Montgomery, Alabama . . . Redshirted last season because of illness, Jeff came on this year to be a fine backup performer at both strong safety and middle linebacker and an outstanding member of the kicking team. He turned in 10 tackles and broke up one pass. He was quarterback of Montgomery Lanier's state championship team his senior year. He's an A student in accounting.

67 STEVE ROOT LINEBACKER

Senior, 6-0, 191, Indio, California . . . A junior college transfer, Steve has never completely recovered from a knee injury that took him off the first team after the first game of last season. Nevertheless, he is a fine linebacker who was in on 15 tackles and broke up one pass this fall. At the College of the Desert in California he won all-league honors and was named his school's Most Outstanding Athlete.

29 ROBBY ROWAN HALFBACK

Sophomore, 6-0, 185, Huntsville, Alabama . . . A long list of injuries has kept Robby from really performing up to his capabilities, but he earned considerable playing time this fall that should make him a fine player in the future. He intercepted one pass for Alabama, broke up another.

48 ROBIN CARY HALFBACK

Sophomore, 5-9, 184, Greenwood, South Carolina . . . A junior college transfer who had to sit out a year, Robin is an outstanding athlete who plays baseball as well as football. His size is a handicap, but he's a hardnosed competitor who has good football sense and anticipates well. He was in on five tackles this year and broke up one pass.

16 JOHNNY SHARPLESS SAFETY

Sophomore, 6-1, 165, Elba, Alabama . . . A multi-talented football player, Johnny might be seen at quarterback or split end as well as in the defensive backfield. In fact, as a quarterback this fall he hit two of two passes for 25 yards and ran five times for 14 yards, including an 11-yard touchdown scamper. He has great speed and quickness and is a tough competitor.

ALABAMA'S STANDINGS IN THE POLLS

ASSOCIATED PRESS

(Begun in 1936)

1936—fourth	1961—first
1937—fourth	1962—fifth
1942—tenth	1963—eighth
1945—second	1964—first
1947—sixth	* 1965—first
1952—ninth	* 1966—third
1959—tenth	* 1967—eighth
1960—ninth	# 1971—second

* After bowl games

Final after bowls

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL

(Begun in 1950)

1952—ninth
1960—tenth
1961—first
1962—fifth
1963—ninth
1964—first
1965—fourth
1966—third
1967—seventh
1971—second

REVIEWING THE 1971 SEASON

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It was some of the old and some of the new that took Alabama to an 11-0 regular season campaign and a shot at its fourth national championship in 11 years. For one, it was a new offense. For another, it was old time Alabama defense. It's an old story now of how Tide head coach Paul Bryant ditched the better part of an offense that he had won some 199 games with, shifted three top defensive players to the offense and came up with a ground-gobbling wishbone attack.

The 11-0 mark is particularly enviable when it is considered that six of the wins came over nationally-ranked teams, beginning with a 17-10 victory over Southern Cal, ranked fifth in the nation at the time, and ending with a 31-7 decision over Auburn, ranked fourth at the time.

Johnny Musso won the west in the first upset of the season as he rushed for two touchdowns among his 16 carries for 85 yards against the tough USC Trojans. That win gave the Tide the confidence it needed to tackle the rest of the schedule.

There was no letdown the next week as the Tide rolled up 469 yards of offense in a 42-6 walk over Southern Mississippi.

An Alabama that was growing took on Florida in Gainesville and played one of its best games of the season. Musso scored four touchdowns and the defense tossed a shutout, 38-0. Steve Higginbotham picked off two interceptions in that game en route to the best performance of the year in the SEC in that department, seven, and the Alabama team got five against the Gators.

It was 6-6 moments before halftime against undefeated Ole Miss, but Alabama rode a Terry Davis to David Bailey pass to a 13-6 lead at halftime and then crushed the Rebels, 40-6.

It was shutout time again the next week against Vanderbilt, 42-0, as Bama's offense saw the nine-man line for the first time and solved it.

Tennessee in Birmingham, always a classic, began as a comedy of errors and Alabama could still laugh at the end as the Tide pulled out a 32-15 victory that was much closer than the score. The Vols were victimized by eight turnovers, but trailed by only a touchdown midway through the fourth quarter.

The defense had its only off day the next week against Houston, but the offense carried the load as Bama got a 34-20 win.

Mississippi State played Bama to 17-10 after three quarters, then got crushed 41-10 when the defense turned in a number of big fourth quarter plays to set up easy scores.

LSU at night in Baton Rouge is always tough and 1971 was no exception, but Bama was toughest in a 14-7 slugfest. It was almost a disaster, however, as Musso was injured and could carry the ball but five times (albeit, for 61 yards). The effectiveness of the Bama defense was evidenced by five different Tiders receiving defensive honors for their performance—ends Robin Parkhouse and John Mitchell, tackles Terry Rowell and Jeff Beard and linebacker Tom Surlas.

It was the second team the next week, or at least it seemed that way with Musso, Joe LaBue, Beard and Paul Spivey not playing at all and Wayne Atkinson, Jimmy Grammer and Jimmy Rosser all going out early with injuries against Miami. But it was a mismatch anyway, 31-3, as the defense gave up only eight first downs and 180 yards of offense.

So 10-0 Alabama met 9-0 Auburn in one of two national showdowns (Nebraska having already edged Oklahoma, 35-31, in the other). It may have been the Tide's finest hour. Musso, playing without practice since the LSU game, ran for 167 yards on 33 carries, not missing an offensive snap, and the Bama defense held Heisman Trophy winner Pat Sullivan to 121 yards passing and minus two yards rushing, the lowest total of his career, en route to a satisfying 31-7 verdict. The Wishbone had the ball for almost three quarters of the game and the defense set up three short touchdowns as the Tide ended a two-year Auburn winning streak.

TEAM STATISTICS FOR 1971

	U of A	Opponents
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	222	137
By Rushing	188	75
By Passing	30	54
By Penalty	4	8
NET RUSHING YARDAGE	3565	1281
Average Gain Per Game	324.1	116.5
Rushing Attempts	705	423
Yards Lost Rushing	163	378
Average Gain Per Rush	5.1	3.0
PASSING YARDAGE	643	1136
Average Gain Per Game	58.5	103.3
Attempts	84	240
Completions	52	113
Percentage	61.9	47.1
Had Intercepted	6	20
Average Gain Per Attempt	7.7	4.7
Average Gain Per Completion	12.4	10.1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDAGE	4208	2417
Plays	789	663
Average Per Play	5.3	3.7
Average Per Game	382.5	219.7
AVERAGE PLAYS PER GAME	71.7	60.3
Rushing	64.7	38.5
Passing	7.6	21.8
PASSES INTERCEPTED BY	20	6
Yards Returned	263	78
Average Return	13.2	13.0
PUNTING AVERAGE	41.9	39.5
Number of Punts	47	66
Yards Punted	1967	2610
Had Blocked	0	1
PUNTS RETURNED	34	20
Yards Returned	424	214
Average Return	12.5	10.7
KICKOFFS RETURNED	24	51
Yards Returned	571	1084
Average Return	23.8	21.2
PANALTIES—YARDS	44-419	34-267
Average Per Game	38.1	24.3
FUMBLES—NUMBER LOST	27-16	30-22
TOUCHDOWNS	46	11
By Rushing	34	4
By Passing	10	6
Other	2	1
FIELD GOALS (Attempted - Made)	17-14	7-3
EXTRA POINTS (Attempted - Made)	46-40	11-8
By Kicking	40-36	9-7
By Rushing	5-4	1-1
By Passing	1-0	1-0
TOTAL POINTS	362	84
AVERAGE PER GAME	32.9	7.6

SCORE BY QUARTERS

ALABAMA	83	93	79	107	—	362
OPPONENTS	10	33	21	20	—	84

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS FOR 1971

RUSHING	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg.	LP	TD
Musso.....	191	1103	15	1088	5.7	41	16
Beck.....	110	558	2	556	5.1	39	2
Bisceglia.....	80	473	1	472	5.9	39	2
LaBue.....	73	467	1	466	6.4	36	3
T. Davis.....	138	543	95	448	3.3	25	6
Jackson.....	37	217	6	211	5.7	67	1
Hobson.....	25	159	5	154	6.2	22	2
Knapp.....	27	148	23	125	4.6	19	1
Steakley.....	9	23	0	23	2.6	6	0
Spivey.....	6	18	2	16	2.7	11	0
Sharpless.....	5	15	1	14	2.8	11	1
Cochran.....	2	3	0	3	1.5	2	0
Sexton.....	1	1	0	1	1.0	1	0
Bailey.....	1	0	12	—12	—12	—12	0

PASSING

	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yds.	HI	TD
T. Davis	66	42	.636	452	4	8
Rippetoe	4	3	.750	99	1	1
Hobson	8	2	.250	29	1	0
Sharpless	2	2	1.000	25	0	0
Musso	2	2	1.000	27	0	0
Sexton	2	1	.500	11	0	1

RECEIVING

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LP	TD
Bailey	21	286	13.5	43	5
Wheeler	6	143	23.8	56	1
LaBue	5	43	8.6	17	0
Musso	5	14	2.8	7	0
Wood	4	65	16.3	25	2
Simmons	3	37	12.3	16	1
Sawyer	3	21	7.0	9	0
Beck	3	17	5.7	9	0
Knapp	1	16	16.0	16	0
Woodruff	1	1	1.0	1	1

PASS INTERCEPTIONS

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LP	TD
Hig'botham	7	108	15.4	45	1
Rouzie	2	35	17.5	33	0
Strickland	2	33	16.5	21	0
Surtas	2	25	12.5	17	0
Wade	2	22	11.0	11	0
McKinney	1	24	24.0	24	0
Adkinson	1	10	10.0	10	0
McMakin	1	6	6.0	6	0
Rowan	1	0	0.0	6	0
Norris	1	0	0.0	0	0

SCORING

	TD	Kick	2 Pt.	FGA-FG	Ttl.
Musso	16		2-2		100
B. Davis	0	40-36		16-13	75
T. Davis	6		4-2		40
Bailey	5				30
LaBue	3				18
Wood	2				12
Bisceglia	2				12
Beck	2				12
Hobson	2				12
Simmons	1				6
Sharpless	1				6
McKinney	1				6
Higginbotham	1				6
Woodruff	1				6
Wheeler	1				6
Knapp	1				6
Jackson	1				6
Gantt	0			1-1	3

PUNT RETURNS

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LP	TD
McKinney	25	326	13.0	64	1
Williams	7	66	9.4	17	0
Hig'botham	1	37	37.0	37	0
Adkinson	1	-5	-5.0	-5	0

KICKOFF RETURNS

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LP	TD
McKinney	11	282	25.6	47	0
Williams	11	265	24.1	55	0
LaBue	1	24	24.0	24	0
McMakin	1	1	1.0	1	0

PUNTING

	No.	Yards	Avg.	LK
Gantt	47	1967	41.9	85

ALABAMA'S DEFENSIVE LEADERS, 1971

Player	Pos.	Class	Primary	TACKLES	
				Assist	Total
Tom SURLAS.....	LB	Señior	45	46	91
Jeff ROUZIE.....	LB	Junior	63	27	90
Chuck STRICKLAND.....	LB	Soph	50	22	72
Robin PARKHOUSE.....	E	Senior	44	25	69
Terry ROWELL.....	T	Senior	40	25	65
Steve HIGGINBOTHAM.....	HB	Senior	38	15	53
John MITCHELL.....	E	Junior	35	15	50
Jeff BEARD.....	T	Senior	24	17	41
Steve WILLIAMS.....	HB	Senior	34	3	37
Wayne HALL.....	LB	Soph	24	8	32
Lanny NORRIS.....	SS	Junior	21	11	32
David WATKINS.....	E-LB	Soph	20	9	29
David McMAKIN.....	SS	Soph	14	12	26
John CROYLE.....	E	Soph	14	6	20
Steve WADE.....	S	Junior	10	6	16
Steve ROOT.....	LB	Senior	7	8	15
Andy CROSS.....	LB	Junior	11	2	13
Bobby McKINNEY.....	HB	Junior	11	2	13
Wayne ADKINSON.....	S	Junior	8	4	12
JIMMY HORTON.....	E	Senior	8	2	10
Jim PATTERSON.....	T	Senior	9	2	11
JEFF BLITZ.....	LB-SS	Soph	5	5	10
Mike RAINES.....	T	Soph	5	4	9

TACKLES FOR LOSSES

Player	No.	Yards
Parkhouse.....	9	50
Rowell.....	9	39
Mitchell.....	8	43
Beard.....	7	39
Watkins.....	6	13
Williams.....	5	12
Croyle.....	4	29
Rouzie.....	4	8
McMakin.....	2	23
Horton.....	2	10
Raines.....	7	7
Surlas.....	2	5
Musso.....	2	5
Higginbotham.....	2	2
Hall.....	2	2
Strickland.....	1	9
Kubelius.....	1	5
Lusk.....	1	3
Patterson.....	1	2
LaBue.....	1	2

FUMBLES CAUSED

Parkhouse 4, Beard 4, Mitchell 4, Surlas 3, Strickland 2, Croyle 2, Rowell 1, Williams 1, Kubelius 1.

PUNT BLOCKED

Williams 1.

PASSES BROKEN UP

Higginbotham 9, Williams 8, Strickland 5, Adkinson 4, Parkhouse 4, Norris 4, Wade 2, Croyle 2, McKinney 2, Lusk 2, Beard 2, McMakin 2, Surlas 2, Rowell 1, Rouzie 1, Root 1, Blitz 1, Rowan 1, Mitchell 1, and Cary 1.

FUMBLES RECOVERED

Williams 3, Hall 3, Rowell 3, Strickland 2, Parkhouse 2, Rouzie 2, McMakin 2, Kubelius 2 Wade 1, Mitchell 1, Adkinson 1.

ALABAMA SCORING PLAYS OF 1971

Game	Scoring Plays	Type Play	Qtr.	Time	Scoring Drive	Score at Time
Southern California	Johnny Musso	13-yd. Rush	1st	12:08	59 Yards, 6 Plays	7- 0
	Bill Davis	37-yd. Field Goal	1st	1:59	68 Yards, 13 Plays	10- 0
	Johnny Musso	8-yd. Rush	2nd	9:54	91 Yards, 11 Plays	17- 0
Southern Mississippi	Johnny Musso	1-yd. Rush	1st	5:12	47 Yards, 10 Plays	7- 0
	Johnny Musso	16-yd. Rush	2nd	14:51	52 Yards, 7 Plays	14- 0
	Ellis Beck	1-yd. Rush	2nd	8:28	70 Yards, 8 Plays	21- 0
	Joe LaBue	4-yd. Rush	3rd	6:38	76 Yards, 10 Plays	28- 0
	Rippetoe to Wood	25-yd. Pass	3rd	0:03	69 Yards, 8 Plays	35- 0
	Steve Bisceglia	18-yd. Rush	4th	7:52	75 Yards, 3 Plays	42- 6
Florida	Bill Davis	28-yd. Field Goal	1st	4:03	65 Yards, 13 Plays	3- 0
	Johnny Musso	1-yd. Rush	1st	0:24	31 Yards, 6 Plays	10- 0
	Johnny Musso	1-yd. Rush	2nd	9:01	47 Yards, 10 Plays	17- 0
	Johnny Musso	3-yd. Rush	2nd	1:13	24 Yards, 5 Plays	24- 0
	Johnny Musso	5-yd. Rush	3rd	9:58	71 Yards, 12 Plays	31- 0
	Sexton to Wood	11-yd. Pass	4th	7:49	69 Yards, 5 Plays	38- 0
Ole Miss	Bill Davis	25-yd. Field Goal	1st	5:38	55 Yards, 10 Plays	3- 0
	Bill Davis	42-yd. Field Goal	2nd	13:11	91 Yards, 9 Plays	6- 0
	T. Davis to Bailey	11-yd. Pass	2nd	0:08	85 Yards, 14 Plays	13- 6
	Joe LaBue	29-yd. Rush	3rd	7:17	80 Yards, 7 Plays	20- 6
	Johnny Musso	7-yd. Rush	3rd	0:05	67 Yards, 10 Plays	27- 6
	Steve Bisceglia	15-yd. Rush	4th	12:02	48 Yards, 4 Plays	34- 6
	Butch Hobson	14-yd. Rush	4th	7:55	59 Yards, 4 Plays	40- 6
Vanderbilt	Johnny Musso	17-yd. Rush	1st	3:44	79 Yards, 11 Plays	7- 0
	Bill Davis	33-yd. Field Goal	2nd	4:33	18 Yards, 4 Plays	10- 0
	Greg Gantt	36-yd. Field Goal	2nd	0:09	82 Yards, 8 Plays	13- 0
	Ellis Beck	1-yd. Rush	3rd	4:17	58 Yards, 12 Plays	21- 0
	T. Davis to Simmons	9-yd. Pass	3rd	1:50	33 Yards, 4 Plays	28- 0
	Bobby McKinney	55-yd. Punt Return	4th	4:54	55 Yards, 1 Play	35- 0
	Johnny Sharpless	11-yd. Rush	4th	0:20	48 Yards, 9 Plays	42- 0
Tennessee	T. Davis to Bailey	20-yd. Pass	1st	6:35	22 Yards, 3 Plays	6- 0
	Bill Davis	27-yd. Field Goal	2nd	6:56	47 Yards, 8 Plays	9- 7
	Terry Davis	6-yd. Rush	2nd	5:07	17 Yards, 3 Plays	15- 7
	T. Davis to Bailey	16-yd. Pass	3rd	11:27	42 Yards, 8 Plays	22- 7
	Bill Davis	39-yd. Field Goal	4th	0:57	29 Yards, 4 Plays	25-15
	Johnny Musso	5-yd. Rush	4th	0:32	5 Yards, 1 Play	32-15
Houston	Johnny Musso	2-yd. Rush	1st	2:58	50 Yards, 12 Plays	7- 0
	T. Davis to Bailey	10-yd. Pass	2nd	7:50	68 Yards, 12 Plays	14- 7
	T. Davis to Bailey	25-yd. Pass	2nd	0:50	71 Yards, 7 Plays	20- 7
	Johnny Musso	9-yd. Rush	3rd	3:36	9 Yards, 1 Play	26- 7
	Joe LaBue	10-yd. Rush	4th	12:23	69 Yards, 10 Plays	34-14
Mississippi State	Bill Davis	20-yd. Field Goal	1st	3:57	69 Yards, 10 Plays	3- 0
	T. Davis to Wheeler	31-yd. Pass	2nd	7:28	57 Yards, 8 Plays	10- 0
	Steve Higginbotham	29-yd. Interception	2nd	3:06	29 Yards, 1 Play	17- 0
	Johnny Musso	1-yd. Rush	4th	12:54	54 Yards, 11 Plays	24-10
	Bill Davis	33-yd. Field Goal	4th	8:41	29 Yards, 6 Plays	27-10
	David Khapp	16-yd. Rush	4th	6:07	16 Yards, 1 Play	34-10
	T. Davis to Woodruff	1-yd. Pass	4th	1:09	16 Yards, 7 Plays	41-10
L. S. U.	Bill Davis	29-yd. Field Goal	1st	7:21	63 Yards, 8 Plays	3- 0
	Bill Davis	38-yd. Field Goal	2nd	6:20	49 Yards, 7 Plays	6- 0
	Terry Davis	16-yd. Rush	3rd	8:12	52 Yards, 4 Plays	14- 0
Miami	Terry Davis	22-yd. Rush	1st	8:56	73 Yards, 9 Plays	7- 3
	Wilbur Jackson	67-yd. Rush	1st	0:12	72 Yards, 3 Plays	13- 3
	Bill Davis	34-yd. Field Goal	2nd	3:02	79 Yards, 8 Plays	16- 3
	Terry Davis	6-yd. Rush	3rd	11:14	22 Yards, 4 Plays	24- 3
	Butch Hobson	10-yd. Rush	4th	7:10	15 Yards, 3 Plays	31- 3
Auburn	Terry Davis	6-yd. Rush	1st	10:43	20 Yards, 5 Plays	7- 0
	Terry Davis	11-yd. Rush	1st	0:58	80 Yards, 13 Plays	14- 0
	Bill Davis	41-yd. Field Goal	4th	13:03	78 Yards, 13 Plays	17- 7
	Johnny Musso	12-yd. Rush	4th	12:45	12 Yards, 1 Play	24- 7
	Johnny Musso	6-yd. Rush	4th	3:33	6 Yards, 1 Play	31- 7

GAME-BY-GAME IN 1971

SEPT. 10—at Los Angeles

ALABAMA	10	7	0	0 — 17
SOUTHERN CAL	0	10	0	0 — 10

	UA	USC
Total First Downs	18	16
Yards Gained Rushing	302	203
Yards Gained Passing	38	84
Total Offense	340	287
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.	5-6-1	7-13-2
Punting	5-34.8	4-41.3
Fumbles Lost	1	2
Yards Penalized	39	42

A—Musso, 13-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—B. Davis, 37-yd. field goal
 A—Musso, 8-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 USC—Young, 7-yd. Jones pass (Rae kick)
 USC—Rae, 37-yd. field goal

Attendance: 67,781

SEPT. 18—at Tuscaloosa

SOUTHERN MISS	0	0	0	6 — 6
ALABAMA	7	14	14	7 — 42

	USM	UA
Total First Downs	9	22
Yards Gained Rushing	62	276
Yards Gained Passing	85	193
Total Offense	147	469
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.	11-20-1	9-10-1
Punting	7-43.7	3-35.7
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Yards Penalized	0	15

A—Musso, 1-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Musso, 16-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Beck, 1-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—LaBue, 4-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Wood, 25-yd. Rippetoe pass (B. Davis kick)
 USM—Orange, 9-yd. rush (pass failed)
 A—Bisceglia, 18-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)

Attendance: 52,701

SEPT. 25—at Gainesville

ALABAMA	10	14	7	7 — 38
FLORIDA	0	0	0	0 — 0

	UA	UF
Total First Downs	21	13
Yards Gained Rushing	363	119
Yards Gained Passing	9	83
Total Offense	372	202
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.	2-4-0	13-29-5
Punting	2-50	3-38
Fumbles Lost	1	1
Yards Penalized	30	40

A—B. Davis, 28-yd. field goal
 A—Musso, 1-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Musso, 1-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Musso, 3-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Musso, 5-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Wood, 11-yd. Sexton pass (B. Davis kick)

Attendance: 61,832

OCT. 2—at Birmingham

OLE MISS	0	6	0	0 — 6
ALABAMA	3	10	14	13 — 40

	OM	UA
Total First Downs	12	29
Yards Gained Rushing	75	531
Yards Gained Passing	164	26
Total Offense	239	557
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.	14-20-0	3-4-0
Punting	7-36.1	1-44
Fumbles Lost	2	2
Yards Penalized	20	25

A—B. Davis, 25-yd. field goal
 A—B. Davis, 42-yd. field goal
 OM—Allen, 48-yd. Lyons pass (kick failed)
 A—Bailey, 11-yd. T. Davis pass (B. Davis kick)
 A—LaBue, 29-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Musso, 7-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Bisceglia, 15-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—Hobson, 14-yd. rush (kick failed)

Attendance: 72,871

OCT. 9—at Nashville

ALABAMA	7	6	15	14 — 42
VANDERBILT	0	0	0	0 — 0

	UA	VU
Total First Downs	25	15
Yards Gained Rushing	352	137
Yards Gained Passing	72	55
Total Offense	424	192
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.	8-17-0	7-22-1
Punting	6-41.5	6-45.2
Fumbles Lost	1	0
Yards Penalized	75	25

A—Musso, 17-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
 A—B. Davis, 33-yd. field goal
 A—Gantt, 26-yd. field goal
 A—Beck, 1-yd. rush (Musso rush)
 A—Simmons, 9-yd. T. Davis pass (B. Davis kick)
 A—McKinney, 55-yd. punt return (B. Davis kick)
 A—Sharpless, 11-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)

Attendance: 34,000

OCT. 16—at Birmingham

TENNESSEE	7	0	0	8 — 15
ALABAMA	6	9	7	10 — 32

	UT	UA
Total First Downs	8	17
Yards Gained Rushing	53	283
Yards Gained Passing	108	42
Total Offense	161	325
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.	5-12-4	3-5-2
Punting	5-41.6	6-39.8
Fumbles Lost	4	2
Yards Penalized	45	105

A—Bailey, 20-yd. T. Davis pass (kick failed)
 T—Watson, 4-yd. rush (Hunt kick)
 A—B. Davis, 27-yd. field goal
 A—T. Davis, 6-yd. rush (rush failed)
 A—Bailey, 16-yd. T. Davis pass (B. Davis kick)
 T—Watson, 9-yd. rush (Chadwick rush)
 A—B. Davis, 39-yd. field goal
 A—Musso, 5-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)

Attendance: 73,828

OCT. 23—at Tuscaloosa

HOUSTON	0	7	7	6 — 20
ALABAMA	7	13	6	8 — 34

	HU	UA
Total First Downs.....	23	24
Yards Gained Rushing.....	300	298
Yards Gained Passing.....	118	69
Total Offense.....	418	367
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.....	14-30-1	6-11-0
Punting.....	5-43	6-39.7
Fumbles Lost.....	1	0
Yards Penalized.....	35	30

A—Musso, 2-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
H—Mozisek, 2-yd. rush (McCrea kick)
A—Bailey, 10-yd. T. Davis pass (B. Davis kick)
A—Bailey, 25-yd. T. Davis pass (kick failed)
A—Musso, 9-yd. rush (pass failed)
H—Odoms, 3-yd. Mullins pass (McCrea kick)
A—LaBue, 10-yd. rush (T. Davis rush)
H—Odoms, 3-yd. Mullins pass (kick failed)

Attendance: 56,939**Nov. 13—at Tuscaloosa**

MIAMI	3	0	0	0 — 3
ALABAMA	13	3	8	7 — 31

	UM	UA
Total First Downs.....	8	14
Yards Gained Rushing.....	109	345
Yards Gained Passing.....	71	29
Total Offense.....	180	374
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.....	9-21-0	2-6-2
Punting.....	10-33.4	3-48.7
Fumbles Lost.....	2	3
Yards Penalized.....	26	5

M—Burke, 42-yd. field goal
A—T. Davis, 22-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
A—Jackson, 67-yd. rush (kick failed)
A—B. Davis, 27-yd. field goal
A—T. Davis, 6-yd. rush (T. Davis rush)
A—Hobson, 10-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)

Attendance: 57,313**OCT. 30—at Jackson**

MISSISSIPPI STATE	0	3	7	0 — 10
ALABAMA	3	14	0	24 — 41

	UA	MSU
Total First Downs.....	18	9
Yards Gained Rushing.....	329	39
Yards Gained Passing.....	43	141
Total Offense.....	372	180
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.....	4-6-0	9-25-3
Punting.....	5-52	7-40.5
Fumbles Lost.....	3	4
Yards Penalized.....	32	0

A—B. Davis, 20-yd. field goal
A—Wheeler, 31-yd. T. Davis pass (B. Davis kick)
A—Higginbotham, 30-yd. interception return (B. Davis kick)
MSU—Ellis, 41-yd. field goal
MSU—Dowsing, 88-yd. punt return (Ellis kick)
A—Musso, 1-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
A—B. Davis, 33-yd. field goal
A—Knapp, 16-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
A—Woodruff, 1-yd. T. Davis pass (B. Davis kick)

Attendance: 40,500**NOV. 27—at Birmingham**

AUBURN	0	7	0	0 — 7
ALABAMA	14	0	0	17 — 31

	UA	AU
Total First Downs.....	24	7
Yards Gained Rushing.....	278	27
Yards Gained Passing.....	122	152
Total Offense.....	400	179
Pass Comp./Att./Had Int.....	10-12-0	15-28-2
Punting.....	2-37.5	6-42.8
Yards Penalized.....	30	10
Fumbles Lost.....	3	1

UA—T. Davis, 6-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
UA—T. Davis, 11-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
AU—Beasley, 31-yd. Unger pass (Jett kick)
UA—B. Davis, 41-yd. field goal
UA—Musso, 12-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)
UA—Musso, 6-yd. rush (B. Davis kick)

Attendance: 68,861**NOV. 6—at Baton Rouge**

ALABAMA	3	3	8	0 — 14
LSU	0	0	7	0 — 7

	UA	LUS
Total First Downs.....	9	17
Yards Gained Rushing.....	214	157
Yards Gained Passing.....	0	75
Total Offense.....	214	232
Passes Comp./Att./Had Int.....	0-3-0	9-20-1
Punting.....	8-41.8	6-33.7
Fumbles Lost.....	0	2
Yards Penalized.....	29	24

A—B. Davis, 29-yd. field goal
A—B. Davis, 38-yd. field goal
A—T. Davis, 16-yd. rush (Musso rush)
LSU—Hamilton, 7-yd. Lyons pass (Michaelson kick)

Attendance: 64,892

ALABAMA FOOTBALL SUPERLATIVES FOR THE ENTIRE 1971 SEASON

- Longest Run From Scrimmage:** Wilbur Jackson vs. Miami, 67 yards (TD).
- Longest Pass Completion:** Benny Rippetoe to Wayne Wheeler vs. Southern Miss. 56 yards.
- Longest Punt Return:** Bobby McKinney vs. Houston, 64 yards.
- Longest Kickoff Return:** Steve Williams vs. Tennessee, 55 yards.
- Longest Interception Return:** Steve Higginbotham vs. Houston, 45 yards.
- Longest Field Goal:** Bill Davis vs. Ole Miss, 42 yards.
- Longest Punt:** Greg Gantt vs. Mississippi State, 85 yards.
- Most Rushing Carries:** Johnny Musso vs. Auburn, 33 carries.
- Most Rushing Yards:** Johnny Musso vs. Ole Miss, 193 yards.
- Most Pass Attempts:** Terry Davis vs. Auburn, 11 attempts.
- Most Pass Completions:** Terry Davis vs. Auburn, 9 completions.
- Most Yards Passing:** Terry Davis vs. Auburn, 105 yards.
- Most Yards Total Offense:** Johnny Musso vs. Ole Miss, 193 yards (all rushing).
- Most Passes Caught:** David Bailey vs. Houston and Southern Miss, 4 receptions.
Joe LaBue vs. Auburn, 4 receptions.
- Most Yards On Pass Receptions:** David Bailey vs. Southern Mississippi, 90 yards.
- Most Points Scored:** Johnny Musso vs. Florida, 24 points.

TEAM HIGH AND LOW MARKS FOR 1971 SEASON

Most First Downs:	29 vs. Ole Miss	Least: 9 vs. LSU
First Downs Rushing:	26 vs. Ole Miss	Least: 9 vs. LSU
First Downs Passing:	6 vs. Auburn, Sou. Miss.	Least: 0 vs. LSU
Total Offense Plays:	83 vs. Auburn	Least: 52 vs. LSU
Rushing Yards:	531 vs. Ole Miss	Least: 214 vs. LSU
Pass Attempts:	17 vs. Vanderbilt	Least: 3 vs. LSU
Pass Completions:	10 vs. Auburn	Least: 0 vs. LSU
Passing Yardage:	193 vs. Southern Miss.	
Total Offense	577 vs. Ole Miss	Least: 214 vs. LSU
Points Scored:	42 vs. Vandy, Sou. Miss.	Least: 14 vs. LSU
Pass Interceptions:	5 vs. Florida	Had inter.: 2 vs. Tennessee, Miami
Fumble Recoveries:	4 vs. Tennessee	Lost: 3 vs. Auburn, Miami, Miss. State
Yards Penalized:	105 vs. Tennessee	Least: 5 vs. Miami

LOW AND HIGH YIELD BY ALABAMA DEFENSE

Fewest Rushes:	16 by Auburn	Most: 56 by LSU
Fewest Rush Yards:	27 by Auburn	Most: 300 by Houston
Fewest Pass Atts.:	12 by Tennessee	Most: 30 by Houston
Fewest Pass Comp.:	5 by Tennessee	Most: 15 by Auburn
Fewest Pass Yards:	55 by Vanderbilt	Most: 164 by Ole Miss
Fewest Plays:	44 by Auburn	Most: 76 by Houston and LSU
Fewest Total Off. Yds:	147 by Southern Miss.	Most: 418 by Houston
Fewest First Downs	7 by Auburn	Most: 23 by Houston
Points:	0 by Florida, Vanderbilt	Most: 20 by Houston

Record Book Again Takes A Beating

Alabama's 1971 football team not only went 11-0 but is still sending researchers thumbing through the record books finding marks that were bettered. Here's a list of the records toppled:

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

Team

1. Most Rushing Plays in a season: 705. Old record 649 by Tulane, 1940.
2. Most Rushing Yards in a season: 3,565. Old record 3,068 by Tennessee, 1951.
3. Average Yards Gained Rushing per game: 324.1. Old record 306.8 by Tennessee, 1951.
4. Most First Downs Rushing per season: 188. Old record 146 by Ole Miss, 1957.
5. Most Field Goals Scored per season: 14. Old record 13 by Auburn, 1960; LSU, 1964; and Georgia, 1970.
6. Rushing Defense—Fewest Rushes Allowed in a game: 16 by Auburn, ties record previously held by Vanderbilt in allowing Davidson only 16 rushing plays in 1969.

Individual

1. Most Rushing Carries, career: 574 by Johnny Musso. Old record 520 by Larry Smith of Florida, 1966-67-68.
2. Most Rushing Carries per game, career: 19.1 by Johnny Musso. Old record 17.4 by Larry Smith of Florida, 1966-67-68.
3. Rushing Yards Gained per game, career: 91.4 by Johnny Musso. Old record 79.4 by Eddie Price of Tulane, 1947-48-49.
4. Average Gain per rush, career: 4.8 by Johnny Musso. Old record 4.2 by Larry Smith of Florida, 1966-67-68.
5. Points Scored, career: 232 by Johnny Musso. Old record 204 by Billy Lothridge of Georgia Tech, 1961-62-63.
6. Touchdowns in career: 38 by Johnny Musso. Old record 31 by Charley Trippi of Georgia, 1942-45-46.
7. Points Scored by Kicking in season: 75 by Bill Davis. (36 of 40 pats, 13 of 16 fgs.) Old record 72 by George Hunt of Tennessee, 1970.
8. Field Goals Scored in season: 13 by Bill Davis, ties record shared by Ed Dyas of Auburn, 1960; Doug Moreau of LSU, 1964; and Kim Braswell of Georgia, 1970.

ALABAMA RECORDS

Team

1. Rushing plays, season: 705 in 1971. Old record 608 in 1950.
2. Rushing plays, game: 76 vs. Tennessee in 1971.
3. Rushing yards, season: 3,565 in 1971. Old 3,007 in 1950.
4. Rushing yards averaged, game: 324.1 in 1971. Old 297.7 in 1945.
5. Average yards gained per rush, season: 5.1 in 1971. Old 4.9 in 1945.
6. Field goals scored, season: 14 in 1971. Old 12 in 1964.
7. First downs rushing, game: 26 vs. Ole Miss in 1971.
8. First downs rushing, season: 188 in 1971. Old 137 in 1952.
9. Punting average, season: 41.9 in 1971. Old 41.7 in 1951 and 1965.
10. Fewest rushes allowed opposition, game: 16 by Auburn in 1971.

Individual

1. Passes caught, career: 132 by David Bailey. Extends own record.
2. Pass receiving yardage, career: 1,857 by David Bailey. Extends own record.
3. Pass interception return yards, career: 226 by Steve Higginbotham. Old record 211 by "Hooty" Ingram, 1952-54.
4. Field goals scored, season: 13 by Bill Davis. Old record 12 by David Ray, 1964.
5. Points scored by kicking, season: 75 by Bill Davis. Old record 59 by David Ray, 1964.
6. Points scored, season: 100 by Johnny Musso. Old 92 by Cotton Clark, 1962.
7. Touchdowns scored, season: 16 by Johnny Musso. Old 15 by Cotton Clark, 1962.
8. Average yards rushing a game, career: 91.4 by Johnny Musso. Old 77.6 by Bobby Marlow, 1950-52.
9. Most rushes per game, career: 19.1 by Johnny Musso. Old 13.2 by Bobby Marlow, 1950-52.
10. Points scored, game: 24 by Johnny Musso vs. Florida. Ties Bobby Marlow record vs. Georgia Tech, 1950.
11. Touchdowns by rushing, game: 4 by Johnny Musso vs. Florida. Old record 3 by many.
12. Average yards rushing per game, season: 108.8 by Johnny Musso. Old record 103.4 by Johnny Musso in 1970.
13. Consecutive games 100 or more yards rushing: 4 by Johnny Musso (Ole Miss, Vanderbilt, Tennessee and Houston). Old record 2 consecutive by several players.
14. Points scored, career: 232 by Johnny Musso. Old record 180 by Bobby Marlow, 1950-52.
15. Touchdowns scored, career: 38 by Johnny Musso. Old record 30 by Bobby Marlow, 1950-52.
16. Touchdowns scored rushing, career: 34 by Johnny Musso. Old record 30 by Bobby Marlow, 1950-52.
17. Rushing carries, career: 574 by Johnny Musso. Old record 437 by Bobby Marlow, 1950-52.
18. Rushing yardage, career: 2,741 by Johnny Musso. Old record 2,560 by Bobby Marlow, 1950-52.

WINNING STREAKS

(Consecutive Victories)

- 20 . . . Last game of 1924 thru ninth game of 1926. Wallace Wade coach.
- 19 . . . Full 1961 season thru eighth game of 1962. Paul Bryant coach.
- 17 . . . Final six games of 1965 thru 1966 season and bowl. Paul Bryant coach.
- 14 . . . Final four games of 1933 thru 1934 season. Frank Thomas coach.
- 14 . . . Final five games of 1936 thru regular season of 1937. Frank Thomas coach.
- 14 . . . Final 1945 season thru first four games of 1946. Frank Thomas coach.
- 13 . . . Full 1930 season and first three games of 1931. Wallace Wade coach in 1930 and Frank Thomas in 1931.
- 12 . . . Last two 1963 games and thru regular season of 1967. Paul Bryant coach.
- 11 . . . Final three games of 1919 season thru eighth game of 1920. Zen C. Scott coach.
- 11 . . . Full 1971 season. Paul Bryant coach

1971 SEC STANDINGS

Team	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts.	OP	W	L	T	Pts.	OP
ALABAMA.....	7	0	0	238	45	11	0	0	362	84
Auburn.....	6	1	0	167	94	9	1	0	313	142
Georgia.....	6	1	0	228	85	10	1	0	353	112
Mississippi.....	4	2	0	147	120	9	2	0	322	204
Tennessee.....	4	2	0	94	74	9	2	0	256	108
Louisiana State.....	3	2	0	122	61	8	3	0	320	138
Vanderbilt.....	1	5	0	70	146	5	5	1	136	208
Florida.....	1	6	0	79	232	4	7	0	174	298
Kentucky.....	1	6	0	84	186	3	8	0	144	284
Mississippi State.....	1	7	0	80	251	2	9	0	120	311

ALL-TIME SEC STANDINGS

(Includes 1971 Season)

Team	Years	Games	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
ALABAMA.....	38	262	167	76	19	.674
Tennessee.....	38	228	144	69	15	.665
Mississippi.....	38	219	129	76	14	.621
Louisiana State.....	39	233	128	89	16	.588
Georgia.....	39	226	115	100	11	.533
Auburn.....	38	246	119	114	13	.514
Florida.....	38	217	87	117	13	.431
Mississippi State.....	38	231	78	142	11	.362
Vanderbilt.....	37	235	75	145	16	.353
Kentucky.....	37	225	68	145	12	.329

SEC TITLES BY TEAMS

	Won	Tied
ALABAMA—1933—34*—37—45—53—61**—64—65—66#—71	7	3
Tennessee—1938—39†—40—46†—51§—56—67—69	5	3
Ole Miss—1947—54—55—60—62—63	6	0
Georgia—1942—46†—48—49—66#—68	4	2
L. S. U.—1935—36—58—61**—70	4	1
Kentucky—1950	1	0
Mississippi State—1941	1	0
Auburn—1957	1	0
Florida	0	0
Vanderbilt	0	0

*Alabama and Tulane tied (1934).

†Tennessee, Georgia Tech and Tulane tied (1939).

‡Georgia and Tennessee tied (1946).

§Georgia Tech and Tennessee tied (1951).

**Alabama and L.S.U. tied (1961).

#Alabama and Georgia tied (1966)

TIDE MANAGERS, TRAINERS HARD WORKERS

Among the unsung heroes of any athletic department are the student managers and trainers and at Alabama there are a number of fine young students who do an exceptional job without much credit. Finus Gaston is the head manager, with David Pike, Tommy Yessick, John Ed Belvin, Kirk Wood and Dale Stephens serving as assistant managers. Student trainers are Jimmy Moncrief, Dick Coats, Ed Parsons and Ronnie Davis.

NEBRASKA OFFENSE THREE-DEEP

SE	*32	Woody Cox (180)	89	Frosty Anderson (176)	*84	Dale Didur (184)
LT	72	Daryl White (238)	76	Bob Wolfe (242)	74	Phil Righetti (235)
LG	*77	Dick Rupert (221)	*61	Bruce Weber (223)	52	Joe Duffy (217)
C	54	Doug Dumlér (237)	50	Doug Jamail (205)	59	Dennis Zanrosso (223)
RG	*65	Keith Wortman (238)	62	Mike Beran (232)	67	Dan Anderson (225)
RT	*71	Carl Johnson (252)	78	Al Austin (222)	70	Marvin Crenshaw (223)
TE	85	Jerry List (218)	86	Brent Longwell (222)	*82	Phil Harvey (208)
QB	*14	Jerry Tagge (215)	*12	an Brownson (185)	10	David Humm (186)
IB	*35	Jeff Kinney (210)	22	Gary Dixon (201)	28	Dave Goeller (188)
SB	20	Johnny Rodgers (171)	*26	Jeff Hughes (196)	39	Glen Garson (184)
FB	44	Bill Olds (215)	46	Maurý Damkroger (215)	47	Jim Carstens (218)

NEBRASKA DEFENSE THREE-DEEP

LE	*57	John Adkins (221)	58	John Hyland (202)	83	Steve Wiester (196)
LT	*75	Larry Jacobson (250)	37	Monte Johnson (232)	73	Dan Lynch (250)
MG	79	Rich Glover (234)	66	John Peterson (205)	37	Morite Johnson (232)
RT	55	Bill Janssen (228)	90	John Dutton (241)	68	Tom Robison (236)
RE	81	Willie Horper (207)	11	Steve Manstedt (210)	6	Tom Pate (190)
WLB	*45	Bob Terrio (209)	*40	Pat Morrell (215)	43	Rich Sanger (214)
SLB	51	Jim Branch (203)	48	Bruce Hauge (216)	42	Bill Sloey (224)
MON	25	Dave Mason (199)	56	John Pitts (196)	17	Bob Thornton (187)
LCB	27	Joe Blahak (184)	*29	Gary Hollstein (175)	7	Terry Rogers (180)
RCB	*18	Jim Anderson (180)	19	Randy Borg (189)	33	Pat Fischer (160)
S	*24	Bill Kosch (176)	*16	Tom McClelland (193)	34	John O'Connell (192)

THE ALABAMA OFFENSE

SE	84	David Bailey	82	Wayne Wheeler	27	Bubba Sawyer
LT	54	Jim Krapf	70	Don Cokely		
LG	72	Jimmy Rosser	63	Marvin Barron		
C	55	Jimmy Grammer	53	Pat Raines	51	Fred Marshall
RG	73	John Hannah	60	Morris Hunt		
RT	65	Buddy Brown	66	Jack White	78	Steve Sprayberry
TE	85	Jim Simmons	7	Glenn Woodruff	92	Dexter Wood
QB	10	Terry Davis	17	Butch Hobson	14	Billy Sexton
LH	22	Johnny Musso	80	Wilbur Jackson	34	Rod Steakley
RH	30	Joe LaBue	39	David Knapp	24	Paul Spivey
FB	44	Steve Bisceglia	35	Ellis Beck		

THE ALABAMA DEFENSE

LE	90	Robin Parkhouse	83	John Croyle	86	Jimmy Horton
LT	57	Terry Rowell	95	Skip Kubelius	*63	Marvin Barron
RT	77	Jeff Beard	96	Jim Patterson	74	Mike Raines
RE	97	John Mitchell	93	David Watkins	81	Tom Lusk
SLB	56	Jeff Rouzie	50	Wayne Hall		
MLB	36	Chuck Strickland	50	Wayne Hall	25	Jeff Blitz
WLB	42	Tom Surlas	52	Andy Cross	67	Steve Root
LCB	49	Steve Higginbotham	29	Robby Rowan		
RCB	28	Steve Williams	26	Bobby McKinney		
SS	40	Lanny Norris	18	David McMakin	48	Robin Cary
FS	32	Steve Wade	21	Wayne Adkinson		

University of Nebraska Alphabetical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Class	Hometown
57	John ADKINS	DLE	6-3	221	Senior	Lynchburg, Va.
89	Frosty ANDERSON	SE	6-1	176	Soph	Scottsbluff, Neb.
67	Dan ANDERSON	ORG	6-1	225	Soph	Fremont, Neb.
18	Jim ANDERSON	RCB	6-0	180	Senior	Green Bay, Wis.
78	Al AUSTIN	ORT	6-5	222	Soph	Lincoln, Neb.
62	Mike BERAN	ORG	6-0	232	Junior	Ord, Neb.
27	Joe BLAHAK	LCB	5-10	184	Junior	Columbus, Neb.
19	Randy BORG	RCB	6-0	189	Soph	Alliance, Neb.
51	Jim BRANCH	SLB	5-9	203	Junior	Chicago, Ill.
12	Van BROWNSON	QB	6-3	185	Senior	Shenandoah, Iowa
47	Jim CARSTENS	FB	6-0	218	Junior	Glen Ellyn, Ill.
32	Woody COX				Senior	Grosse Pointe, Mich.
70	Marvin CRENSHAW	ORT	6-5	223	Soph	Toledo, Ohio
46	Maury DAMKROGER	FB	6-2	215	Soph	Lincoln, Neb.
84	Dale DIDUR	SE	6-0	184	Senior	Long Beach, Calif.
22	Gary DIXON	LHB	5-10	201	Junior	Oxnard, Calif.
52	Joe DUFFY	OG	6-2	217	Soph	Pittsburgh, Pa.
54	Doug DUMLER	OC	6-3	237	Junior	Melrose Park, Ill.
90	John DUTTON	DRT	6-17	241	Soph	Rapid City, S.D.
33	Pat FISCHER	LCB	5-9	160	Soph	Lincoln, Neb.
39	Glen GARSON	RHB	6-0	184	Soph	Fullerton, Calif.
79	Rich GLOVER	MG	6-1	234	Junior	Jersey City, N.J.
28	Dave GOELLER	LHB	5-11	188	Soph	Pilger, Neb.
81	Willie HARPER	DRE	6-3	207	Junior	Toledo, Ohio
82	Phil HARVEY	TE	6-1	208	Senior	Kansas City, Kans.
29	Gary HOLLSTEIN	LCB	6-0	175	Senior	Rushville, Neb.
26	Jeff HUGHES	RHB	5-11	196	Senior	Burlington, Vt.
10	David HUMM	QB	6-2	186	Soph	Las Vegas Nev.
58	John HYLAND	DLE	6-2	202	Junior	Lincoln, Neb.
75	Larry JACOBSON	DLT	6-6	250	Senior	Sioux Falls, S.D.
50	Doug JAMAIL	OC	5-11	205	Junior	Bellaire, Texas
55	Bill JANSSEN	DRT	6-3	228	Junior	Grand Forks, N.D.
71	Carl JOHNSON	ORT	6-4	252	Senior	Phoenix, Ariz.
64	Doug JOHNSON	DRE	6-5	218	Junior	Omaha, Neb.
37	Monte JOHNSON	MG	6-6	232	Junior	Bloomington, Minn.
35	Jeff KINNEY	LHB	6-2	210	Senior	McCook, Neb.
53	John KINSEL	OC	6-2	222	Junior	Council Bluffs, Iowa
24	Bill KOSCH	S	6-0	176	Senior	Columbus, Neb.
85	Jerry LIST	TE	6-1	218	Junior	Bay City, Mich.
86	Brent LONGWELL	TE	6-4	222	Soph	Homer, Neb.
73	Dan LYNCH	DLT	6-5	250	Soph	Yankton, S.D.
11	Steve MANSTEDT	DLE	6-2	210	Soph	Wahoo, Neb.
25	Dave MASON	MON	6-0	199	Junior	Green Bay, Wis.
16	Tom McCLELLAND	S	6-1	193	Senior	Turtle Creek, Pa.
40	Pat MORELL	WLB	6-2	215	Senior	Wichita, Kans.
34	John O'CONNELL	S	6-2	192	Soph	Sidney, Neb.
44	Bill OLDS	FB	6-1	215	Junior	Kansas City, Kans.
6	Tom PATE	DE	6-3	190	Soph	Omaha, Neb.
66	John PETERSON	MON	5-10	205	Soph	Alma, Neb.
56	John PITTS	MON	6-1	196	Junior	Flint, Mich.
74	Phil RIGHETTI	OLT	6-2	235	Junior	Phoenix, Ariz.
68	Tom ROBISON	DLT	6-3	236	Soph	Detroit, Mich.
20	Johnny RODGERS	RHB	5-10	171	Junior	Omaha, Neb.
7	Terry ROGERS	MON	5-11	180	Soph	Columbus, Neb.
77	Dick RUPERT	OLG	6-2	221	Senior	Los Angeles, Calif.
43	Rich SANGER	WLB	6-0	214	Soph	Ovid, Colo.
42	Bill SLOEY	SLB	6-1	224	Junior	Hawthorne, Calif.
14	Jerry TAGGE	QB	6-2	215	Senior	Green Bay, Wis.
45	Bob TERRIO	WLB	6-2	209	Senior	Fullerton, Calif.
17	Bob THORNTON	RCB	6-0	187	Junior	Lamita, Calif.
61	Bruce WEBER	OLG	6-0	223	Senior	Arlington Hts., Ill.
72	Daryl WHITE	OLT	6-4	238	Soph	East Orange, N.J.
83	Steve WIESER	DRE	6-0	196	Soph	Columbus, Neb.
76	Bob WOLFE	OLT	6-5	242	Soph	Omaha, Neb.
65	Keith WORTHMAN	ORG	6-3	238	Senior	Whittier, Calif.
59	Dennis ZANROSSO	OC	6-2	223	Soph	Arleta, Calif.

ALABAMA ORANGE BOWL FOOTBALL

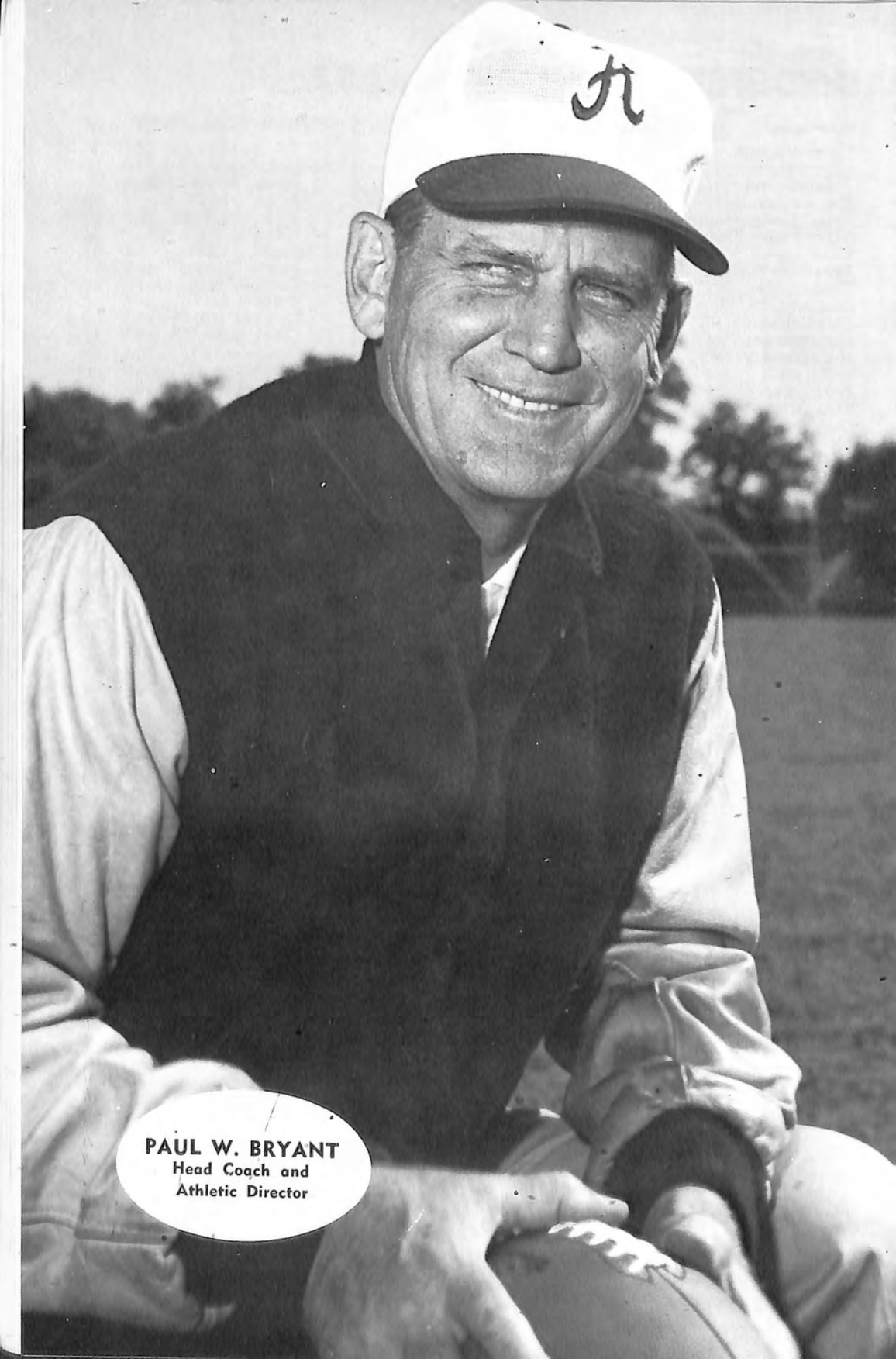
No.	Name	Pos.	Class	Age	Hgt.	Wgt.	E
1.	Bill DAVIS	K	Soph	18	6-2	191	
7	Glenn WOODRUFF	TE	Senior	22	6-2	208	
8	Greg GANTT	K	Soph	19	6-1	190	
10	Terry DAVIS	QB	Junior	21	6-0	173	
14	Billy SEXTON	QB	Junior	20	6-2	191	
15	Benny RIPPETOE	QB	Senior	22	6-2	183	
16	Johnny SHARPLESS	DB	Soph	20	6-1	162	
17	Butch HOBSON	QB	Junior	20	6-0	184	
18	David McMAKIN	SS	Soph	19	6-3	201	
21	Wayne ADKINSON	FS	Junior	20	5-11	175	
22	Johnny MUSSO	LH	Senior	21	5-11	191	
24	Paul SPIVEY	RH	Soph	19	5-11	190	
25	Jeff BLITZ	MLB	Soph	20	5-11	186	
26	Bobby McKINNEY	RCB	Junior	20	5-11	180	
27	Bubba SAWYER	SE	Senior	22	5-9	170	
28	Steve WILLIAMS	RCB	Senior	21	5-11	175	
29	Robby ROWAN	LCB	Soph	20	6-1	185	
30	Joe LaBUE	RH	Junior	21	6-0	195	
32	Steve WADE	FS	Junior	21	6-2	184	
34	Rod STEAKLEY	LH	Senior	21	5-10	163	
35	Ellis BECK	FB	Soph	20	5-11	192	
36	Chuck STRICKLAND	MLB	Soph	19	6-3	218	
39	David KNAPP	RH	Junior	20	6-0	186	
40	Lanny NORRIS	SS	Junior	20	6-0	189	
42	Tom SURLAS	WLB	Senior	21	5-11	198	
44	Steve BISCEGLIA	FB	Junior	21	5-11	187	
45	Joe COCHRAN	FB	Soph	20	6-0	193	
46	Jerry CASH	SE	Senior	22	5-10	170	
48	Robin CARY	FS	Soph	19	5-9	177	
49	Steve HIGGINBOTHAM	LCB	Senior	22	6-1	166	
50	Wayne HALL	MLB	Soph	20	6-3	218	
51	Fred MARSHALL	C	Senior	23	5-9	188	
52	Andy CROSS	SLB	Junior	21	5-10	204	
53	Pat RAINES	C	Junior	20	6-2	207	
54	Jim KRAPF	OLT	Junior	21	6-0	235	
55	Jimmy GRAMMER	C	Senior	22	5-11	202	
56	Jeff ROUZIE	SLB	Junior	20	6-1	227	
57	Terry ROWELL	DLT	Senior	22	5-11	190	
60	Morris HUNT	ORG	Soph	19	6-0	216	
63	Marvin BARRON	DRT	Junior	21	6-1	218	
65	Buddy BROWN	ORT	Soph	21	6-2	237	
66	Jack WHITE	OLG	Senior	21	5-11	213	
67	Steve ROOT	WLB	Senior	21	6-0	188	
70	Don COKELY	OLT	Senior	21	6-3	225	
72	Jimmy ROSSER	OLG	Senior	22	6-0	224	
73	John HANNAH	ORG	Junior	20	6-3	273	
74	Mike RAINES	DLT	Soph	18	6-5	242	
76	Doug FAUST	DRT	Soph	19	6-3	247	
77	Jeff BEARD	DRT	Senior	21	6-2	235	
78	Steve SPRAYBERRY	ORT	Soph	19	6-2	204	
80	Wilbur JACKSON	OLH	Soph	19	6-1	187	
81	Tom LUSK	DLE	Junior	20	6-0	194	
82	Wayne WHEELER	SE	Soph	21	6-1	172	
83	John CROYLE	DRE	Soph	20	6-6	205	
84	David BAILEY	SE	Senior	21	6-1	183	
85	Jim SIMMONS	TE	Senior	22	6-5	230	
86	Jimmy HORTON	DLE	Junior	21	6-0	193	
90	Robin PARKHOUSE	DLE	Senior	21	6-3	201	
92	Dexter WOOD	SE	Junior	20	6-4	184	
93	David WATKINS	DRE	Soph	19	6-2	195	
95	Skip KUBELIUS	DRT	Soph	20	6-3	257	
96	Jim PATTERSON	DLT	Senior	23	6-3	252	
97	John MITCHELL	DRE	Junior	20	6-3	230	
98	Rick ROGERS	TE	Soph	20	6-2	220	

BALL ROSTER — JANUARY 1, 1972

Exp.	Hometown	High School
Fr	Columbus, Ga.	Columbus
Sq	Aliceville	Aliceville
Fr	Birmingham	Woodlawn
IL	Bogalusa, La.	Bogalusa
Sq	Tallahassee, Fla.	Leon
Sq	Greeneville, Tenn.	Greeneville
Sq	Elba	Elba
Sq	Bessemer	Bessemer
Fr	Tucker, Ga.	Tucker
IL	Dothan	Dothan
2L	Birmingham	Banks
Fr	Montgomery	R. E. Lee
Sq	Montgomery	Lanier
IL	Mobile	Davidson
2L	Fairhope	Fairhope
2L	Tuscaloosa	Moline, Ill.
Sq	Huntsville	Huntsville
1L	Memphis, Tenn.	Central
1L	Dothan	Dothan
Sq	Huntsville	Huntsville
Sq	Ozark	Carroll
Fr	Chattanooga, Tenn.	East Ridge
1L	Birmingham	Ramsay
1L	Russellville	Russellville
1L	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.	Southmoreland
JC	Fresno, Calif.	Bullard
Sq	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.	Choctawhatchee
2L	Bogart, Ga.	Athens
Sq	Greenwood, S.C.	Greenwood
2L	Scottsboro	Hueytown
Sq	Huntsville	Huntsville
Sq	Montgomery	Lanier
1L	Birmingham	Ensley
1L	Montgomery	Lanier
1L	Newark, Del.	Tatnall
1L	Hartselle	Morgan County
1L	Jacksonville, Fla.	Wolfson
2L	Heidelberg, Miss.	Heidelberg
Sq	Orlando, Fla.	Edgewater
1L	Troy	Henderson
Sq	Tallahassee, Fla.	Leon
Sq	Louisville, Miss.	Louisville
1L	Indio, Calif.	Coachella
1L	Chickasha, Okla.	Chickasha
2L	Birmingham	Jones Valley
1L	Albertville	Albertville
Fr	Montgomery	Lanier
Sq	Fairhope	Fairhope
2L	Bessemer	Hueytown
Fr	Sylacauga	Sylacauga
Fr	Ozark	Carroll
1L	Clarksville, Tenn.	Clarksville
Sq	Orlando, Fla.	Boone
Sq	Gadsden	Gadsden
2L	Bailey, Miss.	Meridian
2L	Yazoo City, Miss.	Yazoo City
Sq	Tarrant	Tarrant
2L	Orlando, Fla.	Boone
1L	Ozark	Carroll
Fr	Rome, Ga.	West Rome
Fr	Morrow, Ga.	Jonesboro
Sq	Annandale, Va.	Bellevue, Neb.
JC	Mobile	Williamson
Fr	Boise, Idaho	Borah

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25	Blitz, Jeff, DB
65	Brown, Buddy, OT
48	Cary, Robin, DB
46	Cash, Jerry, WR
45	Cochran, Joe, OG
70	Cokely, Don, OT
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83	Croyle, John, DE
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8	Gantt, Greg, K
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50	Hall, Wayne, LB
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86	Horton, Jimmy, DE
60	Hunt, Morris, OG
80	Jackson, Wilbur, RB
39	Knapp, David, DB
54	Krapf, Jim, OT
95	Kubelius, Skip, DT
30	LaBue, Joe, RB
81	Lusk, Tom, DE
26	McKinney, Bobby, DB
18	McMakin, David, DB
51	Marshall, Fred, C
97	Mitchell, John, DE
22	Musso, Johnny, RB
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93	Watkins, David, DE
82	Wheeler, Wayne, WR
66	White, Jack, OG
28	Williams, Steve, DB
92	Wood, Dexter, WR
7	Woodruff, Glenn, TE



PAUL W. BRYANT
Head Coach and
Athletic Director

BAMA'S BEAR BOUNCES BACK

This has been a milestone year in the illustrious coaching career of legendary Paul William (Bear) Bryant.

The 11-0 season enjoyed by his team pushed his all-time coaching record to 210 victories, only 66 losses and 16 ties. He now is the fourth winningest coach in the history of collegiate football and ranks first in average wins per season with 7.8 victories each of his 27 seasons.

Bryant was named Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year by Associated Press, United Press International and the Nashville Banner. He was voted District Four coach of the year in the American Football Coaches Association balloting and is a finalist for national honors at the AFCA convention in mid-January at Hollywood, Fla.

In 14 seasons at Alabama his Crimson Tide teams have compiled an amazing record of 119 wins, just 27 losses and 8 ties. He has taken teams to bowl games 13 consecutive seasons, counting this year's trip to the Orange Bowl.

But to Coach Bryant the big thing was the restoration of Alabama to football's elite. It was something he had worked on diligently the past couple of seasons after he saw his teams lose a total of 10 games in two years after losing only six games the first seven years of the 1960s.

Bryant's teams won National Championships in 1961, 1964 and 1965, and his 1966 team went 11-0 and probably was his best club of those four but did not win the national crown. With Nebraska unbeaten and ranked number one and Alabama ranked second, he is hopeful of adding the fourth national title to the list in the Orange Bowl.

The only time in 27 seasons that Bryant had a losing year was in 1954, his first campaign at Texas A&M when his team went 1-9.

He was named Coach of the Year for the nation in 1961, Coach of the Year for the SEC three times, is a vice-president of the American Football Coaches Association, and in general has been accorded virtually every honor possible in his profession. He has been Alabama's Man of the Year and has chaired many fund-raising projects for charity.

The TV networks clamor for Alabama because they know Bryant will provide an interesting team with fast-paced action. The Orange Bowl game will mark the 30th time Alabama has been on television in Bryant's 14 years as the coach.

Twenty-three of his players have made All-America at Alabama, plus he had five All-Americans at Kentucky and four at Texas A&M for a total of 32 in 27 years.

Bryant is a native of Fordyce, Ark. He came to Alabama in 1931, recruited by Coach Hank Crisp. He played right end for the Tide and was a member of the famous 1934 Bama team which went undefeated and defeated Stanford, 29-13, in the Rose Bowl game of 1935.

He started his coaching career as an assistant at Alabama under Coach Thomas. He moved to Vanderbilt in 1940 as an assistant under Red Sanders, serving two years and then enlisting in the Navy to help fight in World War II. He attained the rank of Lieutenant Commander in the Navy.

In 1945 he returned to civilian life and became head coach at Maryland. His first job as a head coach saw his Terrapins go 6-2-1. He went to Kentucky in 1946, staying eight seasons and rolling up a 60-23-5 record, winning the SEC title once and going to four bowl games.

Texas A&M was his next stop in 1954 and he promptly went from a 1-9 season his first year to an unbeaten year in 1956. In four seasons, he was 25-14-2, including a Southwest Conference title and a bowl bid.

His return to Alabama in 1958 began a highly successful rejuvenation of Bama football, as he extracted the Tide from the morass of defeat and restored the pride and tradition of the great name of Alabama football teams.

Bryant is married to the former Mary Harmon Black and they have two children. Son Paul Bryant, Jr., is married and has two children and daughter Mae Martin is Mrs. John Tyson III with two children.

BRYANT'S RECORD AS A HEAD COACH: WON 210, LOST 66, TIED 16

Year	School	W	L	T	Year	School	W	L	T
1945	Maryland	6	2	1	1959	Alabama	7	2	2
1946	Kentucky	7	3	0	1960	Alabama	8	1	2
1947	Kentucky	8	3	0	1961	Alabama	*11	0	0
1948	Kentucky	5	3	2	1962	Alabama	10	1	0
1949	Kentucky	9	3	0	1963	Alabama	9	2	0
1950	Kentucky	11	1	0	1964	Alabama	*10	1	0
1951	Kentucky	8	4	0	1965	Alabama	*9	1	1
1952	Kentucky	5	4	2	1966	Alabama	11	0	0
1953	Kentucky	7	2	1	1967	Alabama	8	2	1
1954	Texas A & M	1	9	0	1968	Alabama	8	3	0
1955	Texas A & M	7	2	1	1969	Alabama	6	5	0
1956	Texas A & M	9	0	1	1970	Alabama	6	5	1
1957	Texas A & M	8	3	0	1971	Alabama	11	0	0
1958	Alabama	5	4	1					

* National Champions

BRYANT AS A PLAYER, ASSISTANT COACH AND HEAD COACH

As A Player . . .

1933	Alabama	7	1	1	.833
1934	Alabama	10	0	0	1.000
1935	Alabama	6	2	1	.722
Totals		23	3	2	.857

As Assistant Coach . . .

1936	Alabama	8	0	1	.938
1937	Alabama	9	1	0	.900
1938	Alabama	7	1	1	.833
1939	Alabama	5	3	1	.611
1940	Vanderbilt	3	6	1	.350
1941	Vanderbilt	6	1	2	.778
Totals		38	12	6	.732

As Head Coach . . .

Maryland, one year	6	2	1	.722
Kentucky, 8 years	60	23	5	.710
Texas A&M, 4 years	25	14	2	.634
Alabama, 14 years	119	27	7	.801
Totals	210	66	16	.747

Composite Totals . . . 271 81 24 .753

Coach of the Year Honors

National Coach of the Year—1961
SEC Coach of the Year—1961, 1964,
1971

MARYLAND ERA

1945 (6-2-1)

80	Guilford	6
21	Richmond	0
22	Merchant MA	6
13	Virginia Poly	21
13	West Virginia	13
14	Wm. & Mary	33
38	VMI	0
19	Virginia	13
19	South Carolina	13

1947 (8-3)

7	Mississippi	14
20	Cincinnati	0
20	Xavier	7
26	Georgia	0
14	Vanderbilt	0
7	Michigan State	6
0	Alabama	13
15	West Virginia	6
36	Evansville	0
6	Tennessee	13
	Great Lakes Bowl	
14	Villanova	14

1949 (9-3)

71	Southern Miss.	7
19	LSU	0
47	Mississippi	0
25	Georgia	0
44	The Citadel	0
7	SMU	20
14	Cincinnati	7
21	Xavier	7
35	Florida	0
0	Tennessee	6
21	Miami	6
	Orange Bowl	
13	Santa Clara	21

KENTUCKY ERA

(8 years, 60-23-5)
(7-3) 1946

20	Mississippi	7
26	Cincinnati	7
70	Xavier	0
13	Georgia	28
10	Vanderbilt	7
7	Alabama	21
39	Michigan State	14
35	Marquette	0
13	West Virginia	0
0	Tennessee	7

1948 (5-3-2)

48	Xavier	7
7	Mississippi	20
12	Georgia	35
7	Vanderbilt	26
25	Marquette	9
28	Cincinnati	7
13	Villanova	13
34	Florida	15
0	Tennessee	0
25	Miami	5

1950 (11-1)

25	North Texas St.	0
14	LSU	0
27	Mississippi	0
40	Dayton	0
41	Cincinnati	7
34	Villanova	7
28	Georgia Tech	14
40	Florida	6
48	Mississippi State	21
83	North Dakota U.	0
0	Tennessee	7
	Sugar Bowl	
13	Oklahoma	7

1951 (8-4)		
72	Tennessee Tech	13
6	Texas	7
17	Mississippi	21
7	Georgia Tech	13
27	Miss. State	0
35	Villanova	13
14	Florida	6
32	Miami	0
37	Tulane	0
47	Geo. Washington	13
0	Tennessee	28
Cotton Bowl		
20	TCU	7

1952 (5-4-2)		
6	Villanova	25
13	Mississippi	13
10	Texas A&M	7
7	LSU	34
14	Miss. State	27
14	Cincinnati	6
29	Miami	0
27	Tulane	6
27	Clemson	14
14	Tennessee	14
0	Florida	27

1953 (7-2-1)		
6	Texas A&M	7
6	Mississippi	22
26	Florida	13
6	LSU	6
35	Miss. State	13
19	Villanova	0
19	Rice	13
40	Vanderbilt	14
19	Memphis State	7
27	Tennessee	21

TEXAS A&M ERA

(4 years, 25-14-2)

1954 (1-9)		
9	Texas Tech	41
6	Oklahoma State	14
6	Georgia	0
7	Houston	10
20	TCU	21
7	Baylor	20
7	Arkansas	14
3	SMU	6
19	Rice	29
13	Texas	22

1955 (7-2-1)		
0	UCLA	21
28	LSU	0
21	Houston	3
27	Nebraska	0
19	TCU	16
19	Baylor	7
7	Arkansas	7
13	SMU	2
20	Rice	12
6	Texas	21

1956 (9-0-1)		
(SWC Champions)		
19	Villanova	0
9	LSU	6
40	Texas Tech	7
14	Houston	14
7	TCU	6
19	Baylor	13
27	Arkansas	0
33	SMU	7
21	Rice	7
34	Texas	21

1957 (8-3-0)		
21	Maryland	13
21	Texas Tech	0
28	Missouri	6
28	Houston	6
7	T C U	0
14	Baylor	0
7	Arkansas	6
19	S M U	6
6	Rice	7
7	Texas	9
Gator Bowl		
0	Tennessee	3

ALABAMA ERA

1958 (5-4-1)

3	L S U	13
0	Vanderbilt	0
29	Furman	6
7	Tennessee	14
9	Mississippi State	7
12	Georgia	0
7	Tulane	13
17	Georgia Tech	8
14	Memphis State	0
8	Auburn	14

1959 (7-2-2)

3	Georgia	17
3	Houston	0
7	Vanderbilt	7
13	Chattanooga	0
7	Tennessee	0
10	Miss. State	0
19	Tulane	7
9	Georgia Tech	7
14	Memphis State	7
10	Auburn	0

Liberity Bowl

0 Penn State 7

1960 (8-1-2)

21	Georgia	6
6	Tulane	6
21	Vanderbilt	0
7	Tennessee	20
14	Houston	0
7	Miss. State	0
51	Furman	0
16	Georgia Tech	15
34	Tampa	6
3	Auburn	0
Bluebonnet Bowl		
3	Texas	3

(National Champions)

32	Georgia	6
9	Tulane	0
35	Vanderbilt	6
26	N. C. State	7
34	Tennessee	3
17	Houston	0
24	Miss. State	0
66	Richmond	0
10	Georgia Tech	0
34	Auburn	0
Sugar Bowl		
10	Arkansas	3

1962 (10-1)

35	Georgia	0
44	Tulane	6
17	Vanderbilt	7
14	Houston	3
27	Tennessee	7
35	Tulsa	6
20	Miss. State	0
36	Miami	3
6	Georgia Tech	7
38	Auburn	0
Orange Bowl		
17	Oklahoma	0

1963 (9-2-0)

32	Georgia	7
28	Tulane	0
21	Vanderbilt	6
6	Florida	10
35	Tennessee	0
21	Houston	13
20	Miss. State	19
27	Georgia Tech	11
8	Auburn	10
17	Miami	12
Sugar Bowl		
12	Mississippi	7

(National Champions)

31	Georgia	3
36	Tulane	6
24	Vanderbilt	0
21	N. C. State	0
19	Tennessee	8
17	Florida	14
23	Miss. State	6
17	L. S. U.	9
24	Georgia Tech	7
21	Auburn	14
Orange Bowl		
17	Texas	21

1965 (9-1-1)

(National Champions)		
17	Georgia	18
27	Tulane	0
17	Ole Miss	16
22	Vanderbilt	7
7	Tennessee	7
21	Florida State	0
10	Miss. State	7
31	L. S. U.	7
35	South Carolina	14
30	Auburn	3

Orange Bowl

39 Nebraska 28

1966 (11-0-0)

34	La. Tech	0
17	Mississippi	7
26	Clemson	0
11	Tennessee	10
42	Vanderbilt	6
27	Miss. State	14
21	L. S. U.	0
24	South Carolina	0
34	Southern Miss.	0
31	Auburn	0

Sugar Bowl

34 Nebraska 7

1967 (8-2-1)

37	Florida State	37
25	Southern Miss.	3
21	Mississippi	7
35	Vanderbilt	21
13	Tennessee	24
13	Clemson	10
13	Miss. State	0
7	L. S. U.	6
17	South Carolina	0
7	Auburn	3

Cotton Bowl

16 Texas A&M 20

1968 (8-3-0)

14	Virginia Tech	7
17	Southern Miss.	14
8	Mississippi	10
31	Vanderbilt	7
9	Tennessee	10
21	Clemson	14
20	Miss. State	13
16	L. S. U.	7
14	Miami	6
24	Auburn	16

Gator Bowl

10 Missouri 35

(12 years, 102-22-7)

1969 (6-5-0)

17	Virginia Tech	13
63	Southern Miss.	14
33	Mississippi	32
10	Vanderbilt	14
14	Tennessee	41
38	Clemson	13
23	Miss. State	19
15	L. S. U.	20
42	Miami	6
26	Auburn	49

Liberity Bowl

33 Colorado 47

1970 (6-5-1)

21	Sou. Cal	42
51	Virginia Tech	18
46	Florida	15
23	Mississippi	48
35	Vanderbilt	11
0	Tennessee	24
30	Houston	21
35	Miss. State	6
9	L. S. U.	14
32	Miami	8
28	Auburn	33

Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl

24 Oklahoma 24

1971 (11-0-0)

(SEC Champions)		
17	Southern Cal	10
42	Southern Miss.	6
38	Florida	0
40	Mississippi	6
42	Vanderbilt	0
32	Tennessee	15
34	Houston	20
41	Miss. State	10
14	L. S. U.	7
31	Miami	3
31	Auburn	7

CRIMSON TIDE STAFF



Sam Bailey

SAM BAILEY—Assistant Head Coach and Associate Athletic Director

After getting Alabama's overall sports program headed in the right direction and being on the verge of becoming one of the South's finest, Sam Bailey has returned to on the field coaching and has once again assumed the title of Assistant Head Coach.

Sam stepped aside from coaching in 1969 and took over as Associate Athletic Director in a move aimed at giving the Crimson Tide's overall program a shot in the arm.

"We are making excellent progress in all sports and Coach Bryant and I both felt I could get back into coaching without interrupting anything. We are on a solid foundation with our program and I'm anxious to get back into coaching," Bailey says.

The son of an oilman, he was born in Texas and raised in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas. He was an Eighth Air Force bombardier over Germany and a quarterback in college at Magnolia A&M (now Southern State), a junior college, and then spent his last two years finishing up at Ouachita College in Arkansas. He obtained his master's degree in 1950 from East Texas State.

He was teaching backs under Elmer Smith at Southern State, then Smith went to Texas A&M under Coach Bryant and promptly brought Coach Bailey to A&M in 1956 to work with the offensive and defensive backfield. When Coach Bryant came to Alabama in 1958, Sam came with him and has been a prominent member of the Tide staff since.

He is married to the former Mildred Washington and they have one son, Darryl, a stock-broker in Tuscaloosa.

HAYDEN RILEY, Assistant Athletic Director

Hayden is a veteran Alabama coach who holds down the dual duties of working in football recruiting and also is head baseball coach.

A native of Guin, Ala., Riley was born on Sept. 14, 1921. After graduation from Marion County high school, he enrolled at Howard College (now Samford) but soon was called into active duty in World War II. After the war he came to Alabama where he lettered in both basketball and baseball.

A highly successful high school coach at Coffee high in Florence, he was President of the Alabama high school coaches group before returning to Alabama to coach. He served eight years as head basketball coach.

He is married to the former Lauranne Krudop and has two sons and a daughter.



Hayden Riley

CLEM GRYSKA, Assistant Athletic Director

Coach Gryska handles the freshman football team for the Crimson Tide and coordinates recruiting activities in football. A native of Steubenville, Ohio, he played football under Coach Red Drew at Alabama and was a member of the last Alabama Rose Bowl team.

Following his graduation in 1949, Clem went to Huntsville as an assistant coach for two seasons, then moved over to Emma Sansom high in Gadsden where he coached for three years. He then went back to Huntsville high as head coach until 1960 when he joined the Bama staff.

Clem and his wife, the former Alice Margaret Scott, are the parents of two sons and a daughter.



Clem Gryska



Sharpe



Rutledge

JIMMY SHARPE

A three-year letterman under Coach Bryant at Alabama, and co-captain, along with Lee Roy Jordan, of the 1962 football team is Jimmy Sharpe, a member of the coaching staff since 1963. Born Oct. 31, 1939, in Montgomery, Ala., Jim prepped at Sidney Lanier High where he won his football letter three times. Was also a member of the 1961 team which went undefeated and won the National Championship. Coaches with the same aggressiveness and desire with which he played. Jim and his wife, the former Anne Alford, are the parents of a son and a daughter.

JACK RUTLEDGE

Another member of the coaching staff who played for Coach Bryant at Alabama is Jack Rutledge. A 1962 graduate, he lettered three seasons and was also a member of the 1961 National Championship team. Played in the U.S. Bowl in Washington, D.C., following his senior year. Jack was head coach at Demopolis, Ala., in 1962-63-64 and at Sheffield, Ala., in 1965. He joined the Alabama staff prior to the 1966 season. Born in Gadsden, Ala., on May 24, 1938, and prepped at Woodlawn High in Birmingham. Nicknamed "The Governor" because of his resemblance to former Gov. John Patterson. He and his wife, the former Norma Jean Wilson, have two sons.

DUDE HENNESSEY

"The coaching staff's cheerleader, its funnybone, its alter ego, its colorful, blithe spirit" is the way one sportswriter sees Larry "Dude" Hennessey, and the description fits perfectly. Dude, a four-year letterman under Coach Bryant at Kentucky, is in his eleventh season at Alabama. The Paris, Ky., native (he was born there on Dec. 23, 1929) coached the Kentucky freshmen in 1956, the year after his graduation, and then moved to Sulphur Springs, Texas, as head coach in 1957-58. In 1959, he was head coach at St. Xavier High in Louisville, Ky., and then came to Alabama in 1960. Coach Hennessey is the father of two daughters.

BILL OLIVER

A 1962 graduate of Alabama, Oliver played four years of football and one year of baseball for the Tide. He was a starter on the 1961 National Championship team and played in three bowl games. A native of Livingston, he coached at Osborne high in Marietta, Ga., and at Marshall County high in Guntersville before joining the Auburn University staff in 1966. He joined the Bama staff in the spring of 1971. Married to the former Sue Kelly, they are the parents of three children, two sons and a daughter.



Hennessey



Oliver

RICHARD WILLIAMSON

Another of the former standout players at Alabama who has returned as a member of the coaching staff is Alabama's Best Offensive Player in 1962, was All-Southeastern Conference his senior year and caught a total of 24 passes for 492 yards. He played in the Southwest Challenge Bowl as a senior. He worked with the Tide freshmen in 1963, then was elevated to the varsity staff in 1964. After the 1967 season, he left Alabama to become a member of the staff at Arkansas, serving two years under Frank Broyles, then returned to the Tide staff in 1970. A native of Ft. Deposit, he is married to the former Norma Buffington and has two children.

JOHN DAVID CROW

Winner of the coveted Heisman Trophy while an All-American fullback and safetyman for Coach Bryant at Texas A&M, John David Crow is in his third year as a member of the Crimson Tide staff. A native of Springhill, La., Crow was a high school All-American in both football and basketball. After his college career, during which time he helped the Aggies go 24-5-2 and win the 1956 Southwest Conference title, Coach Crow went into pro football. He played with the Chicago Cardinals, moved with them to St. Louis, and finished his career at San Francisco. He played 11 years of pro ball and was named to the All-Pro team of the Decade as a running back. He gained nearly 5,000 yards during his career. He and his wife, Carolyn, are parents of two daughters and a son.



Williamson



Crow



Dye



Moore

PAT DYE

One of the University of Georgia's all-time great linemen, Pat Dye is in his sixth campaign at Alabama. Pat was a three-year letterman for Coach Wally Butts and twice made both All-SEC and All-America teams (1959-60). He captained the team his senior year, along with Fran Tarkenton. Following his college career, he spent the 1961 and '62 seasons with the Edmonton Eskimos of the Canadian League. Pat obtained his Bachelor's degree in 1962 and then spent two and one half years in the Army, being discharged with the rank of 1st Lieutenant. Born in Blythe, Ga., on Nov. 6, 1939. Pat and his wife, the former Sue Ward, are the parents of two sons and a daughter.

MAL MOORE

Another "old grad" coaching at his alma mater is Mal Moore, now in his sixth year as a full-time assistant. A native of Dozier, Ala., born on Dec. 19, 1939, Mal came to Alabama on a football scholarship and won his letter in 1962. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Sociology and a Master's in Secondary Education. He was an assistant coach at Montana State in 1963 and a graduate assistant at Alabama in 1964. Then came a short stint in the Air Force, with a discharge in time for the 1965 season. Mal is married to the former Charlotte Davis of Tuscaloosa, with one daughter.



Donahue



Tyler

KEN DONAHUE

Serving his seventh season on the Alabama staff is Ken Donahue. Ken came to Alabama from Mississippi State where he had been an assistant coach three years. A graduate of the University of Tennessee, he lettered in football under Gen. Bob Neyland. After graduation, Ken went to Memphis State where he was line coach from 1951 until 1955. Then it was back to Tennessee for five seasons before pushing on to Mississippi State. Ken was born Feb. 28, 1926, in Corryton, Tenn., and saw duty in World War II as a staff sergeant in the Army. He and his wife, the former Jeannine Bolton, are the parents of four sons.

BOB TYLER

A 1958 graduate of Ole Miss, Coach Tyler comes to the Tide after being a John Vaught assistant for three years. A native of Water Valley, Miss., he compiled a 91-19-6 high school record in 11 years, winning back to back state championships at Meridian, Miss. Was two time state coach of the year. He is married to the former Dale White and they have three sons.

KEN MARTIN

After two years as a graduate assistant coach, Ken has been elevated to full time coaching duties. A native of Hemet, Calif., he attended Riverside junior college for two years and then played two years as a fullback at Alabama, lettering in 1966 and 1967. A hard worker, Martin is regarded as a fine young coach. He is married and the father of a son.

JIM GOOSTREE

Alabama's head trainer for all sports, and one of the best in the business, is Jim Goostree. Jim joined the Alabama staff in 1957, coming from a coaching job in Clarksville (Tenn.) High School. A Clarksville native, born there Feb. 3, 1930, Jim attended Southwestern at Memphis and the University of Tennessee. He lettered twice in basketball and golf while at Southwestern and was named the school's top athlete in 1949. Also lettered in golf at Tennessee, where he also obtained his Bachelor's and Master's degrees. Jim was the head trainer at the Blue-Gray games in 1960, and has been the head trainer for the South in the Senior Bowl since 1958. He and his wife, the former Mary Gresham, have three daughters and a son.



Martin



Goostree



Whittington



Thornton

B. W. WHITTINGTON

A real veteran in the important position of athletic business manager is B. W. Whittington. Among the duties of the job are the handling and distribution of tickets for all athletic events. A native of Toxey, Ala., B. W. worked in the Accounting and Payroll office for five years before joining the athletic staff 14 seasons ago. B.W. is a graduate of Silas High School and the University of Alabama, where he received a B.S. degree in Commercial Education and an M.A. in Secondary Education. B. W. served in the Navy during World War II, spending a total of 30 months overseas, 24 of them in North Africa and six in the Philippines. His wife's name is Nancy.

CHARLEY THORNTON

Assistant athletic director and sports publicity director for the Tide is Charley Thornton, a native of Arkansas. A newspaper sports editor for five years, he has served in public relations at Arkansas State, Tulane and the National Collegiate Athletic Association before coming to Alabama in 1964. Is the radio voice of Bama basketball and hosts the Bear Bryant TV show. Married to the former Doris McSpadden with a son and daughter.

KIRK McNAIR

Assistant publicity director is Kirk McNair, a native of Birmingham, and a graduate of Maryville College (Tenn.). Was assistant sports editor of the Birmingham Post-Herald prior to joining Alabama staff. Serves as editor of "Crimson Tide Illustrated," the Tide's new program concept that has made such an impact around the nation. Kirk and his wife, Lynne, have a son and a daughter.

BEHIND THE SCENES

Willie Meadows.....Equipment Manager
Pro. Willard Gray.....Faculty Chairman
Davis Culp.....Asst. Ticket Manager
Henry Lyda.....Asst. Trainer
Gary White.....Academic Advisor



McNair



Gray



White



Culp

ALABAMA'S TV APPEARANCES UNDER COACH BRYANT

1959: Liberty Bowl vs. Penn State	1967: Sugar Bowl vs. Nebraska
1960: National game vs. Georgia	1967: National game vs. Mississippi
1960: Bluebonnet Bowl vs. Texas	1968: Cotton Bowl vs. Texas A&M
1961: Regional game vs. Tennessee	1968: Regional game vs. Tennessee
1962: Sugar Bowl vs. Arkansas	1968: National game vs. Miami
1962: Regional game vs. Tennessee	1968: Gator Bowl vs. Missouri
1963: Orange Bowl vs. Oklahoma	1969: National game vs. Mississippi
1963: National game vs. Miami	1969: Liberty Bowl vs. Colorado
1964: Sugar Bowl vs. Mississippi	1970: National game vs. Mississippi
1964: National game vs. Auburn	1970: Regional game vs. L.S.U.
1965: Orange Bowl vs. Texas	1970: Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl vs. Oklahoma
1965: Regional game vs. Georgia	1971: National game vs. L.S.U.
1965: Regional game vs. L.S.U.	1971: National game vs. Auburn
1966: Orange Bowl vs. Nebraska	1972: Orange Bowl vs. Nebraska
1966: Regional game vs. L.S.U.	
1966: National game vs. Auburn	

The Crimson Tide has appeared on Network TV 30 times in the past 14 years, an average of two appearances a season.

TIDE ATTENDANCE: FANS LOVE THEIR TIDE

1971 Home Attendance

Southern Miss. at Tuscaloosa.....	52,701	*Houston at Tuscaloosa.....	56,939
*Ole Miss at Birmingham.....	72,871	*Miami at Tuscaloosa.....	57,313
*Tennessee at Birmingham.....	73,828		

1971 Road Attendance

Southern Cal at Los Angeles.....	67,781	Miss. State at Jackson.....	40,500
*Florida at Gainesville.....	61,832	L.S.U. at Baton Rouge.....	64,982
*Vanderbilt at Nashville.....	34,000	*Auburn at Birmingham.....	68,821

* Capacity crowd

1971 Total and Average Attendance (Home and Away)

Home attendance, five games.....	313,652
Average per game.....	62,730
Road attendance, six games.....	337,916
Average per game.....	56,319
Total attendance, 11 games.....	651,568
Average per game.....	59,233

Home Attendance for Last 15 Years

1971.....	5	313,652	62,730	1963.....	6	251,233	41,372
1970.....	7	424,270	60,610	1962.....	6	239,645	39,607
1969.....	5	315,235	63,047	1961.....	6	226,637	37,773
1969.....	7	387,951	55,422	1960.....	6	192,984	32,164
1967.....	7	426,078	60,868	1959.....	6	183,408	30,568
1966.....	8	449,016	56,127	1958.....	6	186,142	31,024
1965.....	6	311,452	51,909	1957.....	5	115,401	23,080
1964.....	7	335,773	47,967				

Largest single game records:

Birmingham: 73,828 vs. Tennessee, October 16, 1971.

Tuscaloosa: 58,843 vs. Mississippi State, October 31, 1970.

Mobile: 38,285 vs. Southern Mississippi, September 3, 1967.

Largest single season was 1966 when 449,016 paid to see eight games.

Largest season average was 1969 when 63,047 paid to see five games.

ALABAMA'S FOOTBALL HISTORY

Year	Coach	Captain	Record	Pts.	Opp.
1892	E. B. Beaumont (Penn)	W. G. Little	2-2-0	96	37
1893	Eli Abbott (Penn)	G. H. Kyzer	0-4-0	24	74
1894	Eli Abbott	S. B. Slone	3-1-0	60	16
1895	Eli Abbott	H. M. Bankhead	0-4-0	12	112
1896	Otto Wagonhurst (Penn)	S. B. Sloan	2-1-0	56	10
1897	Allen McCants (Alabama)	Frank S. White, Jr.	1-0-0	6	0
1898	No Team	T. G. Burk—Elected	No Team		
1899	W. A. Hartin (Virginia)	T. W. Wert	3-1-0	39	31
1900	M. Griffin	W. E. Drennen	2-3-0	52	100
1901	M. H. Harvey (Auburn)	W. E. Drennen	2-1-2	92	23
1902	Eli Abbott, J. O. Heyworth	J. R. Forman	4-4-0	191	49
1903	W. B. Blount (Yale)	W. S. Wyatt	3-4-0	60	114
1904	W. B. Blount	W. S. Wyatt	7-3-0	100	62
1905	Jack Leavenworth (Yale)	B. A. Burks	6-4-0	178	113
1906	J. W. H. Pollard (Dartmouth)	Washington Moody	5-1-0	97	82
1907	J. W. H. Pollard	Emile Hannon	5-1-2	70	64
1908	J. W. H. Pollard	Henry Burks	6-1-1	107	31
1909	J. W. H. Pollard	Derrill Pratt	5-1-2	68	17
1910	Guy S. Lowman (Springfield)	O. G. Gresham	4-4-0	65	107
1911	D. V. Graves (Missouri)	R. H. Bumgardner	5-2-2	153	31
1912	D. V. Graves	Farley W. Moody	5-3-1	156	55
1913	D. V. Graves	C. H. Van de Graaf	5-3-0	188	40
1914	D. V. Graves	C. A. "Tubby" Long	5-4-0	211	64
1915	Thomas Kelly (Chicago)	William L. Harsh	6-2-0	250	51
1916	Thomas Kelly	Lowndes Morton	6-3-0	156	62
1917	Thomas Kelly	Jack Hovater	5-2-1	169	29
1918	No Team	Dan Boone—Elected	No Team		
1919	Zen C. Scott (Western Reserve)	Isaac J. Rogers	8-1-0	280	22
1920	Zen C. Scott	Sid Johnston	10-1-0	377	35
1921	Zen C. Scott	Al Clemens	5-4-2	241	104
1922	Zen C. Scott	Ernest E. Cooper	6-3-1	300	81
1923	Wallace Wade (Brown)	Al Clemens	7-2-1	222	50
1924	Wallace Wade	A. T. S. Hubert	8-1-0	290	24
1925	Wallace Wade	Bruce Jones	10-0-0	297	26
1926	Wallace Wade	Emile "Red" Barnes	9-0-1	249	27
1927	Wallace Wade	Freddie Pickhard	5-4-1	154	73
1928	Wallace Wade	Earle Smith	6-3-0	187	75
1929	Wallace Wade	Billy Hicks	6-3-0	196	58
1930	Wallace Wade	Charles B. Clement	10-0-0	271	13
1931	Frank W. Thomas (Notre Dame)	Joe Sharpe	9-1-0	370	57
1932	Frank W. Thomas	John Cain	8-2-0	200	51
1933	Frank W. Thomas	Foy Leach	7-1-1	130	17
1934	Frank W. Thomas	Bill Lee	10-0-0	316	45
1935	Frank W. Thomas	James Walker	6-2-1	185	55
1936	Frank W. Thomas	Jas. "Bubber" Nisbet	8-0-1	168	35
1937	Frank W. Thomas	Leroy Monsky	9-1-0	225	33
1938	Frank W. Thomas	Lew Bostick	7-1-1	149	40
1939	Frank W. Thomas	Carey Cox	5-3-1	101	53
1940	Frank W. Thomas	Harold Newman	7-2-0	166	80
1941	Frank W. Thomas	John Wyhonic	9-2-0	263	85
1942	Frank W. Thomas	Joe Domniovich	8-3-0	246	97
1943	No Team	No Team	No Team		
1944	Frank W. Thomas	Game Captains	5-2-2	272	83
1945	Frank W. Thomas	Game Captains	10-0-0	430	80
1946	Frank W. Thomas	Game Captains	7-4-0	186	110
1947	H. D. Drew (Bates)	John Wozniak	8-3-0	210	101
1948	H. D. Drew	Ray Richeson	6-4-1	228	170
1949	H. D. Drew	Doug Lockridge	6-3-1	227	130
1950	H. D. Drew	Mike Mizerany	9-2-0	328	107
1951	H. D. Drew	Jack Brown	5-6-0	263	188
1952	H. D. Drew	Bobby Wilson	10-2-0	325	139
1953	H. D. Drew	Bud Willis	6-3-3	178	152
1954	H. D. Drew	Sid Youngleman	4-5-2	123	104
1955	J. B. Whitworth (Alabama)	Nick Germanos	0-10-0	48	255

ALABAMA'S FOOTBALL HISTORY (Continued)

1956	J. B. Whitworth	Jim Cunningham- Wes Thompson	2-7-1	85	208
1957	J. B. Whitworth	Jim Loftis-Clay Walls	2-7-1	69	173
1958	Paul W. Bryant (Alabama)	Dave Sington- Bobby Smith	5-4-1	106	75
1959	Paul W. Bryant	Marlin Dyess- Jim Blevins	7-2-2	95	59
1960	Paul W. Bryant	Leon Fuller- Bobby Boylston	8-1-2	183	56
1961	Paul W. Bryant	Pat Trammell- Billy Neighbors	11-0-0	297	25
1962	Paul W. Bryant	LeeRoy Jordan- Jimmy Sharpe	10-1-0	289	39
1963	Paul W. Bryant	Benny Nelson- Steve Allen	9-2-0	227	105
1964	Paul W. Bryant	Joe Namath- Ray Ogden	10-1-0	250	88
1965	Paul W. Bryant	Steve Sloan Paul Crane	9-1-1	256	107
1966	Paul W. Bryant	Ray Perkins- Richard Cole	11-0-0	301	44
1967	Paul W. Bryant	Ken Stabler- Bobby Johns	8-2-1	198	131
1968	Paul W. Bryant	Mike Hall- Donnie Sutton	8-3-0	184	139
1969	Paul W. Bryant	Danny Ford- Alvin Samples	6-5-0	314	268
1970	Paul W. Bryant	Danny Gilbert- Dave Brungard	6-5-1	334	264
1971	Paul W. Bryant	To be named	11-0-0	362	84
TOTALS			480-184-40	14,489	6,070

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

1933	ALABAMA (5-0-1)	1945	ALABAMA (6-0-0)	1958	L. S. U. (6-0-0)
1934	ALABAMA (7-0-0)	1946	Georgia (5-0-0)	1959	Georgia (7-0-0)
	Tulane (8-0-0)		Tennessee (5-0-0)	1960	Mississippi (5-0-1)
1935	L. S. U. (5-0-0)	1947	Mississippi (6-1-0)	1961	ALABAMA (7-0-0)
1936	L. S. U. (6-0-0)	1948	Georgia (6-0-0)		L. S. U. (6-0-0)
1937	ALABAMA (6-0-0)	1949	Tulane (5-1-0)	1962	Mississippi (6-0-0)
1938	Tennessee (7-0-0)	1950	Kentucky (5-1-0)	1963	Mississippi (5-0-1)
1939	Tennessee (6-0-0)	1951	Georgia Tech (7-0-0)	1964	ALABAMA (8-0-0)
	Georgia Tech (6-0-0)		Tennessee (5-0-0)	1965	ALABAMA (6-1-1)
	Tulane (5-0-0)	1952	Georgia Tech (6-0-0)	1966	ALABAMA (6-0-0)
1940	Tennessee (5-0-0)	1953	ALABAMA (4-0-3)		Georgia (6-0-0)
1941	Miss. State (4-0-1)	1954	Mississippi (5-0-0)	1967	Tennessee (6-0-0)
1942	Georgia (6-1-0)	1955	Mississippi (5-1-0)	1968	Georgia (5-0-1)
1943	Georgia Tech (3-0-0)	1956	Tennessee (6-0-0)	1969	Tennessee (5-1-0)
1944	Georgia Tech (4-0-0)	1957	Auburn (7-0-0)	1970	L. S. U. (5-0-0)
				1971	ALABAMA (7-0-0)

CRIMSON TIDE IN ALL-STAR ACTION

COLLEGE ALL STAR GAME (Chicago)

Thomas, Frank, Coach, 1935.
Cain, James, End, '49
Cook, Ted, End, '45
Craft, Russ, Halfback, '45
Hecht, George, Guard, '44
Homan, Dennis, End, '68
Hupke, Tom, Guard, '34
Hutsen, Don, End, '35
Jackson, Bobby, Quarterback, '59
Jordan, Lee Roy, Center-Linebacker, '63
Kilgore, Joe, Halfback, '38
Lee, Bill, Tackle, '35
Merrill, Walter, Tackle, '40
Monsky, Leroy, Guard, '38
Olenski, Mitchell, Guard, '46
Rast, Holt, End, '42
Riley, Joe, Halfback, '37
Ryba, Jim, Tackle, '38
Sloan, Steve, Quarterback, '66
Smith, Riley, Quarterback, '36
Wilson, Bobby, Quarterback, '53
Wozniak, John, Guard, '48

COACHES ALL-AMERICA GAME (Buffalo-Atlanta-Lubbock)

Brungard, Dave, Fullback, '71
Crane, Paul, Center-Linebacker, '66
Dowdy, Cecil, Tackle, '67
Hall, Mike, Linebacker, '69
Homan, Dennis, End, '68
Hunter, Scott, Quarterback, '71
Johns, Bobby, Defensive Halfback, '68
Jordan, Lee Roy, Center-Linebacker, '63
Neighbors, Billy, Tackle, '62
Ranklin, Carlton, Halfback, '62
Sloan, Steve, Quarterback, '66
Tolleson, Tommy, End, '66

SOUTHWEST CHALLENGE BOWL (San Antonio)

Clark, Cotton, Back, '62
Williamson, Richard, End, '62

BLUE-GRAY (Montgomery)

Avinger, Clarence, Back, '50
Blevins, Jim, Center, '59
Bostick, Lew, Guard, '39
Bowdoin, Jim, Back, '56
Boylston, Bobby, Tackle, '60
Cadenhead, Bill, Back, '49
Cochran, Don, Guard, '59
Cook, Ted, End, '44 & '45
Cox, Cary, Center, '39
Davis, Alvin, Back, '39
Dyess, Marlin, Back, '59
Eckerly, Charles, Guard, '54
Foshee, Jesse, Guard, '39
Ford, Danny, Tackle, '69
Germanos, Nick, End, '55
Gilmer, Harry, Back, '46
Harkins, Grover, Guard, '39
Jackson, Bobby, Quarterback, '58
Jilleba, Pete, Back, '69
Lary, Al, End, '50
Lauer, Larry, Center, '50
Loftin, Jim, Back, '57
Lynch, Curtis, Tackle, '55
McCoy, Jack, Back, '45
Mancho, Vaughn, Center, '46
Melton, Jimbo, Back, '51
Moore, Pete, Back, '69
Nelson, Jimmy, Back, '44
Newman, Hal, End, '40
Samples, Alvin, Guard, '69
Sonford, Hayward, End, '39
Starr, Bart, Quarterback, '55
Steiner, Rebel, End, '49
Tew, Lowell, Back, '46
Tharp, Corky, Back, '54
Wozniak, John, Guard, '46
Youngleman, Sid, Tackle, '54

U. S. BOWL GAME (Washington, D. C.)

Abruzzese, Ray, Halfback, '62
Brooker, Tommy, End, '62
O'Linger, John, Center, '62
Ruffledge, Jack, Guard, '62

CRUSADE BOWL GAME (Baltimore)

Pell, Charlie, Tackle, '62
Rankin, Carlton, Back, '62

EAST-WEST (San Francisco)

Davis, Fred, Tackle, '41
Francis, Kavanaugh (Kay), Center, '36
Holm, Tony, Back, '30
Hupke, Tom, Guard, '34
Merrill, Walter, Tackle, '40
Nelson, Jimmy, Back, '44
Smith, Riley, Back, '36

NORTH-SOUTH GAME (Miami)

Bryant, Paul, Coach, '60
Booth, Baxter, End, '58
Cain, Jim, End, '48
Culpepper, Ed, Tackle, '54
Fulleon, Leon, Halfback, '60
Hannah, Herb, Tackle, '50
Hood, Bob, End, '48
Lutz, Harold (Red), End, '51
Mason, George, Tackle, '54
Mizerany, Mike, Guard, '50
Noonan, L. W., Back, '49
Richeson, Ray, Tackle, '48
Skelton, Bobby, Quarterback, '60
Stapp, Laurien, Fullback, '60

SENIOR BOWL GAME (Mobile)

Avinger, Clarence, Back, '51
Bailey, David, End, '71
Battle, Bill, End, '63
Bowman, Steve, Fullback, '66
Carrigan, Ralph, Center, '54
Clemmy, Richard, Kicker, '70
Cochran, Don, Guard, '60
Cook, Wayne, End, '67
Crane, Paul, Center-Linebacker, '66
Dill, Jimmy, End, '64
Dowdy, Cecil, Tackle, '67
Dyess, Marlin, Back, '60
Germanos, Nick, End, '56
Hall, Mike, Linebacker, '69
Hannah, Herb, Guard, '51
Homan, Dennis, End, '68
Hunter, Scott, Quarterback, '70
Jackson, Bobby, Quarterback, '59
Johns, Bobby, Defensive Halfback, '67
Jordan, Lee Roy, Center-Linebacker, '63
Kearley, Dan, Tackle, '65
Lauer, Larry, Center, '51
Lewis, Tommy, Back, '54
Loftin, Jim, Back, '57
McClendon, Frankie, Tackle, '65
Melton, Bimbo, Back, '52
Musso, Johnny, Back, '71
Namath, Joe, Quarterback, '65
Neighbors, Billy, Tackle, '62
Nelson, Benny, Halfback, '64
Ogden, Ray, Back, '65
Parkhouse, Robin, End, '71
Perkins, Ray, End, '67
Ray, David, Back, '66
Rice, Bill, Tackle, '62
Richardson, Billy, Halfback, '62
Salem, Ed, Back, '51
Samples, Alvin, Guard, '69
Shipp, Billy, Tackle, '54
Sloan, Steve, Quarterback, '66
Sutton, Donnie, Back, '69
Tharp, Corky, Back, '55
Trimble, Wayne, Back, '67
Wade, Tommy, Defensive Back, '70
Willis, Bud, End, '54
Wilson, Butch, End, '63

AMERICA BOWL (Tampa)

Bryant, Paul, Coach, '69
Brungard, Dave, Back, '70
Hall, Mike, Linebacker, '69

HULA BOWL (Honolulu)

Blair, Bill, Def. Back, '70
Higginbotham, Steve, Def. Back, '71

ALABAMA'S ALL-AMERICAS

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| 1971—Johnny Musso, halfback (O) | 1964—Wayne Freeman, guard | 1937—James Ryba, tackle |
| John Hannah, guard (O) | Dan Kearley, tackle | Leroy Monsky, guard |
| Tom Surlas, linebacker (D) | David Ray, halfback | Joe Kilgrow, halfback |
| Robin Parkhouse, end (D) | Joe Namath, quarterback | 1936—Arthur "Tarzan" White, g'd |
| 1970—Johnny Musso, tailback (O) | 1962—Lee Roy Jordan, center | 1935—Riley Smith, quarterback |
| 1969—Alvin Samples, guard (O) | 1961—Billy Neighbors, tackle | 1934—Millard "Dixie" Howell, hb |
| 1968—Mike Hall, linebacker (D) | Pat Trammell, quarterback | Don Hutson, end |
| Sam Gellerstedt, guard (D) | Lee Roy Jordan, center | Bill Lee, tackle |
| 1967—Dennis Homan, split end (O) | 1950—Ed Salem, halfback | 1933—Tom Hupke, guard |
| Bobby Johns, halfback (D) | 1945—Harry Gilmer, halfback | 1931—Johnny Cain, fullback |
| Kenny Stabler, q'back (D) | Vaughn Mancha, center | 1930—Fred Sington, tackle |
| 1966—Richard Cole, tackle (D) | 1942—Don Whitmire, tackle | 1929—Tony Holm, fullback |
| Ray Perkins, end (O) | Joe Domanovich, center | 1926—Hayt "Wu" Winslett, end |
| Cecil Dowdy, tackle (O) | 1941—Holt Rast, end | 1925—A.T.S. "Pooley" Hubert, qb |
| Bobby Johns, halfback (D) | 1939—Carey Cox, center | 1915—W.T. "Bully" VandeGraaff, t |
| 1965—Paul Crane, center | | |
| Steve Sloan, quarterback | | |

ALL-SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1908—C. C. Countess, center | 1924—Johnny Mack Brown, back | 1926—Emile Barnes, back |
| 1914—W. T. VandeGraaff, tackle | 1925—Bill Buckler, guard | 1927—Fred Pickhard, tackle |
| 1915—W. T. VandeGraaff, fullb'k | 1925—A. T. S. Hubert, back | 1929—Fred Sington, tackle |
| 1920—Riggs Stephenson, fullback | 1925—Johnny Mack Brown, back | 1929—Tony Holm, back |
| 1923—Al Clemens, end | 1926—Hayt Winslett, end | 1930—Fred Sington, tackle |
| 1923—Grant Gillis, quarterback | 1926—Gordon Holmes, center | 1930—John Henry Suther, back |
| 1924—Bill Buckler, guard | 1926—Fred Pickhard, tackle | 1931—Johnny Cain, back |
| 1924—A. T. S. Hubert, back | 1926—Hershel Caldwell, back | 1932—Tom Hupke, guard |
| | | 1932—Johnny Cain, back |

ALL-SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE FIRST TEAM

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1933—Tom Hupke, guard | 1945—Vaughn Mancha, center | 1964—Wayne Freeman, guard (O) |
| 1933—Millard "Dixie" Howell, hb | 1947—Harry Gilmer, back | 1966—Cecil Dowdy, tackle (O) |
| 1934—Don Hutson, end | 1949—Ed Holdnak, guard | 1966—Bobby Johns, halfback (D) |
| 1934—Charlie Marr, guard | 1950—Mike Mizerany, guard | 1966—Ray Perkins, end (O) |
| 1934—Bill Lee, tackle | 1950—Pat O'Sullivan, center | 1966—John Calvert, guard (O) |
| 1934—Millard "Dixie" Howell, hb | 1950—Ed Salem, back | 1966—Dicky Thompson, back (D) |
| 1935—Riley Smith, quarterback | 1951—Bobby Marlow, back (D) | 1967—Mike Ford, end (D) |
| 1935—James Whitley, tackle | 1952—Jerry Watford, guard (O) | 1967—Kenny Stabler, q'back (O) |
| 1936—Arthur "Tarzan" White, g'd | 1952—Bobby Marlow, back (O) | 1967—Dennis Homan, end (O) |
| 1936—Riley Smith, quarterback | 1952—Cecil Ingram, back (D) | 1967—Mike Hall, linebacker (D) |
| 1937—Leroy Monsky, guard | 1953—Corky Tharp, back | 1967—Bruce Stephens, guard (O) |
| 1937—Erwin "Tut" Warren, end | 1954—Corky Tharp, back | 1967—Bobby Johns, halfback (D) |
| 1937—Joe Kilgrow, back | 1961—Pat Trammell, back | 1968—Mike Hall, linebacker (D) |
| 1938—Charles Holm, back | 1961—Billy Neighbors, guard | 1968—Sam Gellerstedt, guard (D) |
| 1940—Fred Davis, tackle | 1961—Lee Roy Jordan, center | 1968—Mike Ford, end (D) |
| 1940—Holt Rast, end | 1961—Mike Fracchia, back | 1968—Alvin Samples, guard (O) |
| 1940—Jimmy Nelson, back | 1962—Lee Roy Jordan, center | 1969—Alvin Samples, guard (O) |
| 1941—Holt Rast, end | 1963—Benny Nelson, back | 1969—Danny Ford, tackle (O) |
| 1941—John Wyhonic, guard | 1964—Steve Bowman, back (O) | 1970—Johnny Musso, Tailback (O) |
| 1941—Jimmy Nelson, back | 1964—Joe Namath, back (O) | 1971—Johnny Musso, halfback (O) |
| 1942—Joe Domanovich, center | 1964—David Ray, back (O) | 1971—John Hannah, guard (O) |
| 1942—Don Whitmire, tackle | 1964—Dan Kearley, tackle (D) | 1971—Tom Surlas, linebacker (O) |
| 1945—Rebel Steiner, end | 1965—Tommy Tolleson, end (O) | 1971—Jimmy Grammer, center (O) |
| 1945—Tom Whitley, tackle | 1965—Paul Crane, center (O) | 1971—Steve Higginbotham, b (O) |
| 1945—Harry Gilmer, back | 1965—Steve Bowman, fullback (O) | 1971—Robin Parkhouse, end (D) |
| 1946—Harry Gilmer, back | 1965—Creed Gilmer, end (D) | 1971—Jim Krapf, tackle (O) |
| 1947—John Wazniak, guard | 1965—Bobby Johns, halfback (D) | 1971—David Bailey, end (O) |

SECOND TEAM

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1933—Bill Lee, tackle | 1946—Vaughn Mancha, center | 1964—Tommy Tolleson, end (O) |
| 1934—Paul Bryant, end | 1947—Vaughn Mancha, center | 1964—Paul Crane, center (D) |
| 1934—Joe Domanovich, center | 1947—Lowell Tew, back | 1965—Steve Sloan, quarterback (O) |
| 1935—Kavanaugh Francis, center | 1951—Ralph Carrigan, center (D) | 1965—Tim Bates, linebacker (D) |
| 1936—Perron Shoemaker, end | 1951—Jess Richardson, guard (D) | 1966—Wayne Cook, end (O) |
| 1936—Joe Kilgrow, back | 1951—Red Lutz, end (D) | 1966—Jerry Duncan, tackle (O) |
| 1937—Perron Shoemaker, end | 1952—Travis Hunt, tackle (O) | 1966—Richard Cole, tackle (D) |
| 1937—Charles Holm, back | 1952—Corky Tharp, back (O) | 1967—Steve Davis, kicker (O) |
| 1938—Vic Bradford, back | 1952—Ed Culpepper, tackle (D) | 1968—Donnie Sutton, back (O) |
| 1939—Fred Davis, tackle | 1952—Ralph Carrigan, center (D) | 1968—Randy Barron, tackle (D) |
| 1940—Ed Hickerson, guard | 1953—Ralph Carrigan, center | 1969—Johnny Musso, back (O) |
| 1942—Mitchell Olenksy, tackle | 1955—Nick Germanos, end | 1970—David Bailly, end (O) |
| 1942—George Hecht, guard | 1957—Billy Rains, guard | 1970—John Hannah, Tackle (O) |
| 1942—Russ Craft, back | 1958—Don Cochran, guard | 1970—Frank Mann, punter (O) |
| 1944—Ralph Jones, end | 1959—Don Cochran, guard | 1970—David Bailey, end (O) |
| 1944—Vaughn Mancha, center | 1962—Colton Clark, back | 1970—John Hannah, tackle (O) |
| 1944—Harry Gilmer, back | 1963—Joe Namath, back | 1970—Frank Mann, punter (O) |
| 1945—Jack Green, guard | 1964—Steve Sloan, back (D) | 1971—Jeff Reuzie, linebacker (D) |
| 1945—Lowell Tew, back | 1964—Gaylon McCollough, c. (O) | 1971—Greg Ganiff, punter (O) |

THIRD TEAM

1933—Don Hutson, end	1940—Harold Newman, end	1950—Butch Avinger, back
1934—Riley Smith, back	1941—George Hecht, guard	1951—Bobby Wilson, back (D)
1935—Paul Bryant, end	1942—Sam Sharp, end	1951—Jerry Watford, guard (O)
1935—Arthur "Tarzan" White, g'd	1944—Tom Whitley, tackle	1954—Sid Youngleman, tackle
1937—Joe Ryba, tackle	1946—Ted Cook, end	1954—George Mason, tackle
1938—Perron Shoemaker, end	1947—Rebel Steiner, end	1960—Billy Neighbors, guard
1938—Walter Merrill, tackle	1947—Charles Compton, tackle	1960—Leon Fuller, fullback
1939—Harold Newman, end	1948—Bill Cadenhead, back	1961—Tommy Brooker, end
1939—Walter Merrill, tackle	1949—Mike Mizerany, guard	1962—Richard Williamson, end
1940—Warren Averitte, center	1949—Butch Avinger, back	

OTHER PLAYER HONORS

NATIONAL FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME:

1953—Coach Frank Thomas	1956—Guard Don Whitmire
1953—End Don Hutson	1957—Back Johnny Mack Brown
1955—Coach Wallace Wade	1964—A. T. S. (Pooley) Hubert
1955—Tackle Fred Sington	1970—Millard "Dixie" Howell

BIRMINGHAM MONDAY MORNING QUARTERBACK CLUB:

Outstanding Back

Halfback Bobby Marlow, 1952
Quarterback Pat Trammell, 1961
Quarterback Steve Sloan, 1965
Quarterback Ken Stabler, 1967

Outstanding Lineman

Tackle Billy Neighbors, 1961
Center Lee Roy Jordan, 1962
Center Paul Crane, 1965
End Roy Perkins, 1966

ATLANTA TOUCHDOWN CLUB: (Originated in 1939. Beginning in 1946, a back and a lineman were chosen as co-recipients)

1945—Halfback Harry Gilmer	1965—Quarterback Steve Sloan
1961—Quarterback Pat Trammell	1966—End Roy Perkins
1962—Center Lee Roy Jordan	1967—Quarterback Ken Stabler

NASHVILLE BANNER AWARD: (Originated in 1933)

Most Valuable Player

1934—Halfback Millard "Dixie" Howell
1945—Halfback Harry Gilmer
1961—Quarterback Pat Trammell
1965—Quarterback Steve Sloan
1971—Halfback Johnny Musso

Coach-of-the-Year

1945—Frank Thomas
1952—Harold "Red" Drew
1961—Paul W. Bryant
1964—Paul W. Bryant
1971—Paul W. Bryant

HELMS FOUNDATION HALL OF FAME AWARD:

Coach Wallace Wade
End Don Hutson
Coach Henry G. Crisp

Coach Frank Thomas
Back Johnny Mack Brown
Guard Don Whitmire

ROSE BOWL OUTSTANDING PLAYER AWARDS:

1926—Back Johnny Mack Brown
1927—Tackle Fred Pickhard
1931—Back John Campbell

1935—Back Millard "Dixie" Howell
1946—Back Harry Gilmer

ASTRO-BLUEBONNET BOWL OUTSTANDING PLAYER AWARD:

1970—Linebacker Jeff Rouzie (Outstanding Defensive Player)

SUGAR BOWL OUTSTANDING PLAYER AWARDS:

1962—Fullback Mike Fracchia
1964—Field Goal Kicker Tim Davis

1967—Quarterback Ken Stabler

ORANGE BOWL OUTSTANDING PLAYER AWARDS:

1963—Linebacker Lee Roy Jordan
1965—Quarterback Joe Namath

1966—Quarterback Steve Sloan

ALABAMA PLAYERS ON ALL-TIME BOWL TEAMS:

Rose Bowl

HB Johnny Mack Brown, 1926
HB Millard "Dixie" Howell, 1935

Sugar Bowl

Center Vaughn Mancha, 1945
Tackle Tom Whitley, 1948
HB Harry Gilmer, 1945
Guard Ray Richeson, 1948

Cotton Bowl

End Holt Rast, 1942
Tackle Don Whitmire, 1942
HB Jimmy Nelson, 1942

Orange Bowl

Center Joe Damnanovich, 1943
Tackle Don Whitmire, 1943

JACOBS AWARD: (This award has been given annually since 1935 by Dr. W. J. Jacobs of Clinton, S.C., based on a poll of SEC coaches as a recognition for outstanding blocking ability)

1935—Quarterback Riley Smith	1950—Quarterback Butch Avinger
1937—Guard Leroy Monsky	1961—Tackle Billy Neighbors
1946—Quarterback Hal Self	1962—Back Butch Wilson
1949—Quarterback Butch Avinger	1966—Tackle Cecil Dowdy

NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD:

1971—Johnny Musso, halfback

MIAMI TOUCHDOWN CLUB—OUTSTANDING SEC PLAYER AWARD:

1971—Johnny Musso

ALABAMA FOOTBALL BOWL RECORDS

TEAM RECORDS

Bowls Played In—24 (Rose 6, Sugar 5, Orange 5, Cotton 3, Liberty 2, Astro-Bluebonnet 2 and Gator 1)
Bowl Victories—12
Bowl Losses—9
Bowl Ties—3
Most Points—61 vs. Syracuse in 1953 Orange
Most First Downs—29 vs. Nebraska in 1966 Orange
Most Net Yards Rushing—292 vs. Southern Cal in 1946 Rose
Most Net Yards Passing—300 vs. Syracuse in 1953 Orange
Most Total Offense—588 vs. Syracuse in 1953 Orange
Most Passes Attempted—56 vs. Missouri in 1968 Gator
Most Passes Completed—32 vs. Missouri in 1968 Gator
Most Field Goal Attempts—5 vs. Mississippi in 1964 Sugar
Most Passes Had Intercepted—4 by California in 1938 Rose
Most Yards Penalized—81 vs. Texas A&M in 1942 Cotton
Most Fumbles Lost—4 vs. Penn State in 1959 Liberty AND
4 vs. California in 1938 Rose
Most Points in One Quarter—22 vs. Boston College in 1943 Orange

TEAM LOW MARKS

Fewest First Downs—1 vs. Texas A&M in 1942 Cotton
Fewest Yards Rushing—Minus 45 vs. Missouri in 1968 Gator
Fewest Yards Passing—9 vs. Stanford in 1957 Rose
Fewest Yards Total Offense—32 vs. Missouri in 1968 Gator
Fewest Yards Penalized—0 vs. Washington in 1926 Rose

TEAM DEFENSE

Most Points Allowed—47 by Colorado in 1969 Liberty
Most First Downs Allowed—29 by Colorado in 1969 Liberty
Fewest First Downs Allowed—3 by Southern Cal in 1946 Rose
Most Yards Allowed Rushing—473 by Colorado in 1969 Liberty
Fewest Yards Allowed Rushing—6 by Southern Cal in 1946 Rose
Most Yards Allowed Passing—269 by Mississippi in 1964 Sugar
Fewest Yards Allowed Passing—0 by Missouri in 1968 Gator
Fewest Yards Total Offense Allowed—41 by Southern Cal in 1946 Rose
Most Passes by Opponents—42 by Texas A&M in 1942 Cotton
Most Passes Completed by Opponents—22 by Nebraska in 1967 Sugar
Most Passes Intercepted by Alabama—7 vs. Texas A&M in 1942 Cotton
Most Fumbles Recovered by Alabama—6 vs. Mississippi in 1964 Sugar

INDIVIDUAL

Most Points Scored—19 by Bobby Luna vs. Syracuse, 1953 Orange
Most Rushing Attempts—26 by Les Kelley vs. Nebraska, 1966 Orange
Most Yards Rushing—138 by Johnny Musso vs. Oklahoma, 1970 Astro-Bluebonnet
Most Passes Attempted—37 by Joe Namath vs. Texas, 1965 Orange AND
37 by Scott Hunter vs. Missouri, 1968 Gator
Most Passes Completed—20 by Steve Sloan vs. Nebraska, 1966 Orange
Best Completion Average 100% (8 for 8) by Harry Gilmer vs. Duke, 1945 Sugar
Most Yards Passing—296 by Steve Sloan vs. Nebraska, 1966 Orange
Most Passes Caught—9 by Ray Perkins vs. Nebraska, 1966 Orange
Most Yards by Receiver—178 by Ray Perkins, 1967 Sugar
Most Field Goal Attempts—5 by Tim Davis vs. Mississippi, 1964 Sugar
Most Field Goals Scored—4 by Tim Davis vs. Mississippi, 1964 Sugar
Most Extra Points by Kicking—7 by Bobby Luna vs. Syracuse, 1953 Orange

LONG SCORING PLAYS

Longest Run from Scrimmage—67 by Dixie Howell vs. Stanford, 1935 Rose
Longest Pass Play—59 Dixie Howell to Don Hutson vs. Stanford, 1935 Rose AND
59 Grant Gillis to J. M. Brown vs. Washington, 1926 Rose
Longest Punt Return—80 Clell Hobson vs. Syracuse, 1953 Orange
Longest Pass Interception—75 Hugh Morrow vs. Duke, 1945 Sugar
Longest Field Goal—48 Tim Davis vs. Mississippi, 1964 Sugar

SPECIAL ALABAMA BOWL HISTORY

The Crimson Tide of Alabama has been to more bowl games than any team in history, with the Orange Bowl appearance against Nebraska being the Silver Anniversary post-season trip by Alabama. In 24 previous bowl games, Alabama has a record of 12-9-3. Here are recaps on each of those 24 bowl appearances, vividly marking the Tide as one of the most colorful and headline making teams of all time.

ALABAMA 20, WASHINGTON 19

Rose Bowl—January 1, 1926

PASADENA, Calif.—Trailing 12-0 at halftime, Coach Wallace Wade's Alabama team battled back in the second half to capture a thrilling 20-19 win over Washington in the Crimson Tide's first bowl outing. It was a game that is still remembered as one of the all-time finest and the Tide victory brought new and permanent respect from all sections for Southern football.

Washington's great halfback, George Wilson, was everything he had been billed as being. He carried the ball for 134 yards, completed five passes for 77 yards and two touchdowns. But Alabama put him out of the game for 22 minutes with injuries and it was during those 22 minutes that the Crimson Tide scored all of its points.

Wilson missed the third quarter and that's when Alabama scored its 20 points, all in seven minutes. First it was Pooley Hubert scoring from the one with Bill Buckler kicking the point after. After holding Washington and forcing a punt, Grant Gillis faded back from his own 41, found Johnny Mack Brown at the Husky 25.

"All I had to do was sidestep one man and I was across," remembers Brown.

A fumble gave Alabama another chance at the Washington 30. On first down Hubert told Brown to run as fast as he could for the goal. "When I reached the three, I looked around," says Brown. "Sure enough, the ball was coming down over my shoulder. I took it in stride, used my stiff arm on one man and went over carrying somebody. The place was really in an uproar."

Washington scored a final time in the fourth quarter, but they couldn't overcome Bama's lead. And Alabama was off and running to Bowl history.

Alabama	0	0	20	0	—	20
Washington	6	6	0	7	—	19

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Hubert (1, right guard), J. M. Brown 2 (59, pass from Gillis of 34, run of 25; 30, pass from Hubert of 27, run of 3. Points after touchdown: Buckler 2.

WASHINGTON—Touchdowns: Patton (1, left tackle), Cole (20, pass from Wilson), Guttormsen (27, pass from Wilson of 17, run of 10). Point after touchdown: Cook.

ALABAMA 7, STANFORD 7

Rose Bowl—January 1, 1927

PASADENA, Calif.—Wallace Wade was invited to return with Alabama for the 1927 renewal after another perfect season. His great backs of 1925 were gone and he was not wealthy in reserves.

It was a team with some unusually colorful nicknames: for example, Lovely Barnes, Goofy Bowdoin, Snake Vines and Rosy Caldwell.

The bowl was packed with 57,417. Gross receipts were \$218,047—the highest ever. Approximately \$100,000 was refunded.

Stanford scored first; George Bogue passed five yards to end Ed Walker, who ran the remaining 15 yards for a touchdown. Bogue then kicked the point after and Stanford held its 7-0 first quarter lead until the final period.

With just four minutes to go, Alabama blocked a Stanford punt with center Clarke (Babe) Pearce leaping through to deflect the ball. Bama took over on the Stanford 14.

Into the game went 170-pound Jimmy Johnson at halfback. A dislocated shoulder had prevented him from playing much. First it was Wu Winslett getting three yards, then Johnson knifing forward for seven. Winslett smashed to the one. Then Johnson banged into

right guard, the resistance crumpling under his charge. It was 7 to 6 now. A ruse was coming up next.

As the teams lined up for the crucial extra point attempt with the crowd respectfully hushed, Captain Emile Barnes barked signals. Suddenly someone shouted "signals off." Stanford's forewall stood at ease in anticipation of another signal sequence. At that moment center Gordon Holmes snapped the ball to Winslett who touched it down. Unrushed and with plenty of time, Herschel Caldwell smoothly kicked it through the posts and over the bar.

The 7 to 7 game ended three plays later.

Alabama	0	0	0	7	—	7
Stanford	7	0	0	0	—	7

ALABAMA—Touchdown: Johnson (1, right guard). Point after touchdown: Caldwell.

STANFORD—Touchdown: Walker (20, pass from Bogue of 5, run of 15). Point after touchdown: Bogue.

ALABAMA 24, WASHINGTON STATE 0

Rose Bowl—January 1, 1931

PASADENA, Calif.—This was Wallace Wade's last Alabama team before he left for Duke and it typified the personality of the coldly efficient strategist. Alabama crushed Washington State, 24-0, before 60,000.

Wade announced on New Year's Eve that he planned to start his second team. The writers were incredulous. But Wade, who felt Alabama was two touchdowns better, meant it and in fact did open with his second unit.

The Cougars held the upper hand most of the first quarter but didn't come close to scoring. Late in the period Wade inserted his first string and things began to pop.

After 13 straight plays on the ground, from its own 39, Bama's left end Jimmy Moore turned and sped into his own backfield. He received the ball from fullback John Cain, took a few more steps and spiraled a long pass downfield. Left halfback John (Flash) Suther, galloping at high speed, gathered it in smoothly on the Washington State 22. In a flash he was in the end zone.

Bama center Jess Eberdt intercepted a Cougar pass on the WSU 47. Moore again passed, hitting end Ben Smith on the Cougar one. Monk Campbell powered in for the score.

Lightning struck quickly the next time Alabama got the ball. Campbell, on a beautifully setup fake to Moore, shot through left guard. He wriggled free of a State man's clutches and bolted 43 yards to score. These 21 points had come within a stretch of six minutes of the second quarter.

Wade's second team was on the field in the third quarter when the final points were registered. Guard J. B. (Ears) Whitworth, later head coach at Alabama, kicked a field goal from the 30.

Alabama	0	21	3	0	—	24
Washington State	0	0	0	0	—	0

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Campbell 2 (1, right guard; 43, left guard), Suther (61, pass from Moore of 39, run of 22). Field goal: Whitworth (30, placekick). Point after touchdown: Campbell 3.

ALABAMA 29, STANFORD 13

Rose Bowl—January 1, 1935

PASADENA, Calif.—"Dixie Howell, the human howitzer from Hartford, Ala., blasted the Rose Bowl dreams of Stanford today with one of the greatest all-around exhibitions football has ever known," was the lead written by all-time great Grantland Rice.

Alabama blasted Stanford, 29-13, with Howell teaming with the incomparable pass catching end, Don Hutson, to electrify the crowd of 84,474 with a 22-point second quarter outbreak.

In those 15 minutes Alabama amassed 150 yards on passes and another 106 on the ground. Howell himself gained 96 yards in the air on four completions to Hutson and three more to end Paul (Bear) Bryant. Dixie also ran 96 yards, including a sensational 67-yard sprint for a touchdown.

Alabama had the ball for four plays in the first quarter and made four yards. Stanford recovered a Tide fumble on the 27 yard line, with Bobby Grayson pounding right tackle for the final foot.

Howell scored from the five early in the second quarter to tie the game. Stanford, though, chose to kickoff to show Bama's scoring was a fluke. Four more pass completions by Hutson brought Alabama to the Stanford six. On fourth down Hutson held while Riley Smith kicked a 22-yard field goal. Now it was 9-7 and Stanford still refused to believe the mounting evidence, kicking off again.

Two plays later Howell swung to his right. Smith level Stanford star Grayson with a hard block. As the Stanford secondary closed in, Dixie swerved for the sidelines and cut across the field diagonally. He ran 67 yards. The crowd was on its feet, agog at this masterly piece of speed and maneuvering.

Stanford received this time, but on second down Riley Smith intercepted for Bama. Coach Frank Thomas inserted Tilden (Happy) Campbell, a conservative quarterback, to replace the daring Smith with orders to play it safe and stick on the ground. Only eight seconds were left in the half. What Thomas didn't know was that Smith told his teammates, just before going to the sidelines, "I've called the play. Make it good."

They did. Joe Riley, who took Howell's place after the long run, flung a long pass to Hutson, who was in the clear and scored easily from 54 yards.

The Howell to Hutson battery was quiescent until the early part of the fourth quarter. From the Alabama 41 it struck. Don caught Dixie's long spiral on the Stanford 30 and whizzed for his second touchdown.

Howell left the field late in the game after a 52-yard punt with his ears ringing to the noisiest ovation ever given a visiting player on a California gridiron. He had gained 111 yards running, 160 yards passing (nine completions in 12 attempts) and had punted six times for an average of 43.8 yards.

"No team in the history of football, anywhere, anytime, has passed the ball as Alabama passed it today," wrote Ralph McGill in the Atlanta Constitution. "And no man ever passed as did Dixie Howell, the swift sword of the Crimson attack."

Alabama	0	22	0	7	—	29
Stanford	7	0	6	0	—	13

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Howell 2 (5, left guard; 67, right end), Hutson 2 (54, pass from Riley of 24, run of 30; 59, pass from Howell of 29, run of 30). Field goal: Smith (22, placekick). Points after touchdown: Smith 2.

STANFORD—Touchdowns: Grayson (1, right tackle), Van Dellen (12, right end). Point after touchdown: Moscrip.

CALIFORNIA 13, ALABAMA 0

Rose Bowl—January 1, 1938

PASADENA, Calif.—Frank Thomas' 1937 Alabama team was not one of his best, but none was better coached or accomplished quite so much with what it had.

The Crimson Tide experienced several close calls. Sandy Sanford literally kicked his team to Pasadena. In the game with Tulane, Sanford booted a late fourth-quarter field goal of 32 yards when Alabama had only six men on the line of scrimmage. The illegal formation was undetected by officials. The Tide won, 9 to 6. Sanford beat Vanderbilt 9 to 7 with another late-game field goal.

In the Rose Bowl, there was no opportunity for Sanford's heroics. Alabama was subdued 13 to 0.

California, coached by Leonard B. (Stub) Allison, demonstrated too much power and speed, better balance, and some exceptionally skilled and rugged players in center Bob Herwig, end Perry Schwartz, quarterback Johnny Meek, guard Vard Stockton, and halfback Sam Chapman, the latter soon to become a major league outfielder.

But the star of the game was Vic Bottari, a junior tailback who started his career as a virtual nonentity on the Golden Bear squad. Bottari scored both touchdowns against Alabama on almost identical plays in the second and third quarters, quick, well-escorted trips around right end of three and five yards respectively.

California punched over touchdown No. 1 to culminate a 63-yard 12-play land march. Alabama couldn't check driving, brutal power smashes accompanied by paralyzing blocking. The Bears hammered out No. 2, pushing the Tide 48 yards in nine whacks in much the same fashion. No passes were thrown on this scoring sweep as well.

Alabama lost the ball on fumbles four times and suffered four pass interceptions. One scoring opportunity was muffed on the California 1 and another on the 6, both on fumbles. The Bears tackled with crunching, stunning force.

"It was a heartbreaker," said Alabama captain Leroy Monsky. "I still try to blank it from my mind."

A check for \$104,129.94 from gross receipts of \$293,372.61 helped to ease some of the grief felt by the Alabama party.

California	0	7	6	0	—	13
Alabama	0	0	0	0	—	0

CALIFORNIA—Touchdowns: Bottari 2 (3, right end; 5, right end). Point after touchdown: Chapman.

ALABAMA 29, TEXAS A&M 21

Cotton Bowl—January 1, 1942

DALLAS, Texas—It wasn't a very festive atmosphere, since most of the nation was thinking about World War II, but Alabama's opportunist Crimson Tide whipped Texas A&M 29 to 21 under very bizarre circumstances.

The Tide made only one first down, A&M had 13. Bama picked up only 75 yards total offense, as opposed to 309 for the Aggies. The Tiders clicked on just one pass while A&M completed 13 and Bama ran just 32 plays as opposed to 79 by the Texans.

Yet the Tide led 29-7 midway in the fourth quarter, held off an Aggie rush at the end and wound up with one of the most amazing bowl wins ever.

The significant statistics were seven Alabama pass interceptions and five fumble recoveries, for a total of 12 turnovers against A&M.

A&M scored first, Chal Daniels passing to Bob Crowley. Later in the second quarter Daniels fumbled and Don Whitmire recovered on the Aggie 24. Jimmy Nelson passed to Holt Rast for 16. Two passes failed. On a no-shift play, Nelson reversed to Russ Craft for an eight-yard score.

In the third quarter Nelson returned a punt 72 yards to put Bama ahead. In the same quarter Nelson punted to Daniels who fumbled, with Sam Sharpe grabbing it for the Tide on the A&M 21. Nelson quickly scored, romping 21 yards around right end.

In the final period another A&M interception put Alabama in business on the Aggie 17. George Hecht wound up kicking a 31-yard field goal to make it 23-7.

Alabama's final score was another unique play. A&M had the ball and Derence Moser passed, had it tipped into hands of Holt Rast who jogged 10 yards into the end zone. It was 29-7. The Aggies scored twice in the fourth quarter to narrow the gap, but the alert Tidesmen won the only statistical battle that counted—the score.

Alabama	0	7	13	9	—	29
Texas A&M	0	7	0	14	—	21

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Craft (2, left end), Nelson 2 (72, punt return; 21, right end), Rast (10, intercepted pass by Moser, tipped by Webster). Field goal: Hecht (31, placekick). Points after touchdown: Hecht 2.

TEXAS A&M—Touchdowns: Crowley (18, pass from Daniels of 15, run of 8), Webster (1, right tackle), Sterling (43, pass from Moser, tipped by Nelson). Points after touchdown: Webster 3.

ALABAMA 37, BOSTON COLLEGE 21

Orange Bowl—January 1, 1943

MIAMI, Fla.—Stung by two first quarter Boston College touchdowns, Alabama's All-America center Joe Dominovich called his team into a huddle as they awaited a kickoff. "Don't give up," he said, simply but firmly. "We haven't had a chance to go with the ball yet. We're going to receive and we're going to run them into the ground."

Twenty minutes later, at halftime, Alabama was in front, 22 to 21, and won the game, 37 to 21.

Mike Holovak, the Eagles' swift-striding right halfback, scored on runs of 65 and 35 yards to put Boston College in front early. Then Bama went to work.

Russ Craft, Dave Brown, Johnny August and Russ Mosley tore off big chunks of turf and the Eagle defense caved in. Bobby Tom Jenkins raced 40 yards for one score. Boston College made a comeback effort and went ahead 21-19 just before halftime but George Hecht booted a 25-yard field goal to put Bama on top, 22-21 at intermission. The Tide added 15 more points in the second half.

Wheeler Leeth scored on a 14-yard pass from Mosley, Ted Cook grabbed a 17-yard scoring aerial from August, Jenkins scored twice on runs of 40 and one, and August faked a pass and ran around right end for a 15 yard score. Hecht kicked a field goal and two

extra points and Domnanovich even put two points on the board by tackling an Eagle in the end zone for a safety.

The Boston press treated the game from an unbiased standpoint.

Bill Cunningham, widely respected columnist for the Boston Post, wrote, "When you're beaten as clearly and as splendidly as was Boston College today, the only thing to do is stand and salute as the victors go by. It was a fine game, played in the truest tradition of sportsmanship, brilliantly won and gallantly lost in a magnificent setting, so in taste with the times that none who saw it will ever forget it."

Alabama	0	22	6	9	—	37
Boston College	14	7	0	0	—	21

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Leeth (14, pass from Mosley of 9, run of 5), Cook (17, pass from August), Jenkins 2 (40, left end; 1, left guard), August (15, fake pass, right end). Field goal: Hecht (25, placekick). Points after touchdown: Hecht 2. Safety: Domnanovich tackled Connolly in end zone on play from Boston College 7.

BOSTON COLLEGE—Touchdowns: Holovak 3 (65, left end, lateral from Doherty; 35, left end; 2, right guard). Points after touchdown: Connolly 3.

DUKE 29, ALABAMA 26

Sugar Bowl—January 1, 1945

NEW ORLEANS, La.—If you said the 1945 Sugar Bowl game was charged with drama every minute, it wouldn't be much of an exaggeration.

The lead changed hands four times. The outcome was uncertain until the last second. The heart-throbbing finish pulled 72,000 people out of their seats.

In the last analysis, it was the power and experience of Duke's Navy trainees that prevailed over Alabama's inspired wartime civilian group, 29 to 26.

After watching Harry Gilmer, Alabama's 18-year-old freshman tailback, complete eight out of eight passes despite the rushing of a hard-charging line, Grantland Rice called him "the greatest college passer I ever saw."

Gilmer hit the tough Duke line hard for important gains and made many tackles, personally downing the Blue Devil ball carrier after every kickoff.

One pass in particular stood out. Forced far back, Harry tripped over one Duke man. Two more Blue Devils got a piece of him. Suddenly, he broke loose for an instant, leaped high, and whipped the ball 41 yards to Ralph Jones, a big end.

In bowl history never has one so young performed so brilliantly.

On the last play he fired another long pass to Jones, who just missed going for a touchdown on a 33-yard gainer to Duke's 25.

Duke led early, 7 to 0. Halfback George Clark ran 52 yards on the first play from scrimmage. He scored on a 14-yard bolt up the middle.

Gilmer's aerial craft set up three Crimson Tide touchdowns before Duke could score again, making it 19 to 13 at halftime.

Duke fullback Tom Davis carried ten straight times on a 64-yard thrust in the third quarter. It wound up with Davis scoring his second touchdown. Now it was 20 to 19, Duke.

Alabama threw back the Blue Devils on the Tide 12 early in the fourth period. But they surged forward again. This time Hugh Morrow stepped in front of Gordon Carver and intercepted Cliff Lewis' pass. Morrow moved 75 yards at top speed. With his conversion it became 26 to 20, Alabama.

Duke took the kickoff and wasn't stopped until the goal line was a yard away.

Three minutes remained. Coach Frank Thomas decided on a calculated risk. He sent in orders to give up two points through an intentional safety. Thomas hoped for a long high punt from the 20 by John Wade, who would have plenty of time. He hoped also for good coverage and a resolute defense.

The strategy backfired. The punt sailed 40 yards. Clark returned it 20 yards to Alabama's 40. The Blue Devils cracked the Tide defense for the touchdown in two inspired runs. First, wingback Jim LaRue gained 20 on a reverse after which Clark rushed through right tackle in a furious charge and scored.

"I'd say that last run LaRue made won the game," Rice wrote. "He fought his way for 20 yards where he might have been thrown for a loss. He carried two red shirts on his back for the last seven yards and it was this terrific determination to win that saved the day for Duke. I've never seen a more thrilling game."

Duke	7	6	7	9	—	29
Alabama	12	7	0	7	—	26

DUKE—Touchdowns: Clark 2 (14, fake pass, through the middle; 20, right tackle),

Davis 2 (1, center plunge; 1, center plunge). Points after touchdown: Raether 3. Safety: Gilmer knelt in end zone intentionally on play from Alabama 1.

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Hodges 2 (1, plunge; 1, plunge), Jones (10, pass from Gilmer), Morrow (75, intercepted pass by Lewis). Points after touchdown: Morrow 2.

ALABAMA 34, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 14

Rose Bowl—January 1, 1946

PASADENA, Calif.—This was Alabama's sixth trip to the Rose Bowl and although the Crimson Tide had enjoyed great success against the West Coast powers, a lot of coast writers and fans always said, "but you've never played Southern Cal."

You didn't hear much of that type comment after this one. Bama won, 34-14.

At halftime, Alabama led 20-0. Troy's 21 plays had resulted in a net loss of 24 yards. Not until the score was 27-0 in the third quarter did Southern Cal make a first down.

Alabama's "wooden horse" toppled the men of Troy like no team ever before. Southern Cal had won eight straight Pasadena battles since 1923. Fortunately Coach Frank Thomas was merciful. For Thomas it was his last bowl trip as a coach. His health began to fail in 1946 and he was forced to give up coaching in 1947. He died May 10, 1954.

Alabama outgained USC 351 to 41. Troy's pitiful running offense netted just six yards.

Harry Gilmer, the Crimson Tide's extraordinary passer, threw only 14 times, one touchdown resulting. But he ran 116 yards on 16 carries. Hal Self scored twice, sneaking over from the one and on a 24-yard Gilmer pass. Gilmer went over from the one, Lowell Tew hit left guard from the two for points and Norwood Hodges scored up the middle on a one-yard plunge. Hugh Morrow kicked four extra points.

The great bowl victory assured Coach Thomas of a place among the all-time greats. Captain Tom Whitley 15 years later remarked: "Coach Thomas' system would go today. He used innovations no scout could capture with notes and against which no defense could be securely set."

Alabama	7	13	7	7	—	34
Southern California	0	0	0	14	—	14

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Self 2 (1, sneak; 24, pass from Gilmer of 3, run of 21), Gilmer (1, left guard), Tew (2, left guard), Hodges (1, center). Points after touchdown: Morrow 4.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA—Touchdowns: Adelman (20, pass from Lillywhite), Clark (Doornbos blocked Gryska's punt from Alabama 28, recovered by Clark and run for touchdown). Points after touchdown: Lillywhite 2.

TEXAS 27, ALABAMA 7

Sugar Bowl—January 1, 1948

NEW ORLEANS, La.—It is a peculiar fact that some of the most celebrated backs in the Southeastern Conference came to grief in New Orleans in their final game. Names coming to mind of those so ill-fated are Billy Cannon (1960), Johnny Majors (1957), Hank Lauricella (1952), and Harry Gilmer (1948).

Three years before, Gilmer, the Alabama sharpshooter, had heard the multitude's roar of applause in the Sugar Bowl. It was a far cry from the reaction of 72,000 fans who saw Texas thwart Gilmer and the Crimson Tide, 27 to 7, in 1948.

He had blazed so brightly previously in New Orleans and in Pasadena. This time he completed only three of his 11 passes and ran for a mere five yards. By his own evaluation it was the worst day of his college career.

Loudest cheers went to Texas quarterback Bobby Layne. He sent the ball aloft 24 times and made connections ten times for gains totaling 183 points.

Layne was an excellent field general, ball handler, and passer. He was also a capable runner.

Ground attacks were virtually non-existent. Alabama was restricted to 41 yards, Texas to 59 rushing.

The Tide was not outplayed to the extent the score would indicate. The difference could have been a touchdown. The first half ended in a 7 to 7 standoff. Texas' last three touchdowns were achieved by defensive alertness. Or, to say it another way, Alabama committed three expensive errors—having a punt blocked, having a pass intercepted and run back for a touchdown, and fumbling deep in its own territory.

The entire left side of the Longhorns' line swarmed into the backfield when Norman Masley tried to punt from Alabama's 25 in the third quarter. Left tackle George Petrovich blocked the kick and left guard Vic Vasicek recovered in the end zone for a touchdown.

Alabama appeared to wilt after that but displayed the heart to stall Texas drives twice within its 10. Then with six minutes left and the Tide gambling to tie or win, Gilmer was rushed hard and threw almost despairingly over oncoming Longhorns' upraised arms. End Lewis Holder intercepted Harry's soft, short, high pitch. He raced for the red flag at the corner of the field 18 yards away, just making it.

A few plays after that, Holder pounced on a Gilmer fumble five yards from another touchdown. Layne got this one on a sneak.

The result was a shock to Alabama followers who expected the large senior contingent, stars of freshman and sophomore appearances in bowl games, to finish in the grand manner. Texas was faster, more powerful, and deserved to win.

Some years later, Gilmer said, "I wouldn't swap the experiences, the thrills, the friendships and fellowships made in bowl games for anything. Of course, a post-season game means a lot of additional work—practice, training and usually the sacrifice of Christmas vacations—but in the end it's worth even more."

Texas	7	0	7	13	—	27
Alabama	0	7	0	0	—	7

TEXAS—Touchdowns: Blount (5, pass from Layne), Vasicek (recovered ball in end zone after Petrovich blocked Masley's punt from Alabama 25), Holder (18, intercepted pass by Gilmer), Layne (1, sneak). Points after touchdown: Guess 3.

ALABAMA—Touchdown: White (8, pass from Gilmer). Point after touchdown: Morrow.

ALABAMA 61, SYRACUSE 6

Orange Bowl—January 1, 1953

MIAMI, Fla.—New Year's Day, 1953, was the first on which football fans could see, through the medium of television, bowl games in Pasadena, Dallas, New Orleans, and Miami. Receipts increased greatly with bigger checks for competing schools and their conference brethren.

Alabama crushed Syracuse, champion of the East, 61 to 6, in the Orange Bowl. Many in the crowd of 66,280 left in the third quarter so they could see more of other bowl games on TV at home.

Because the game was lasting so long, an Orange Bowl committeeman reportedly approached the timekeeper and suggested the game, nearly three hours old at the time, might be speeded up because it was about to be cut off the network.

Fifteen records were set in the fiasco. Even the deepest Alabama substitutes among the 46 Crimson Tide players were record-minded. "We didn't want to leave any still standing," explained tackle Van Marcus.

Alabama rushed for 286 yards and passed for 300. Its total offense of 586 yards and the sum of 818 for both teams were among the Orange Bowl records.

It was a close contest for a quarter when Alabama led, 7 to 6. After two periods the score was 20 to 6. And in the second half, "I just couldn't stop them," said Coach Harold (Red) Drew, a native of Maine who came to Alabama as end coach under Frank Thomas and developed Don Hutson, Paul Bryant, and Holt Rast, among others.

Bobby Marlow, who scored the Tide's second touchdown, was one of the finest running backs in Southeastern Conference history. In three years he gained 2,560 yards. That was 693 yards more than the next highest total in the conference in the 1950-59 period made by Billy Cannon of Louisiana State. But Marlow was not picked on the all-decade team in the conference.

Soon after the game the Orange Bowl committee signed contracts with the Big Eight (then Big Seven) and the Atlantic Coast Conference. Their representatives met for the next five years.

Alabama	7	14	20	20	—	61
Syracuse	6	0	0	0	—	6

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Luna 2 (27, pass from Hobson; 38, right tackle), Marlow (1, left tackle), Thorp (50, pass from Hobson of 38, run of 12), Lewis 2 (1, center; 30, center), Cummings (22 pass from Starr), Ingram (80, punt return), Hill (60, intercepted pass by Stark). Points after touchdown: Luna, 7.

SYRACUSE—Touchdown: Szombathy (15, pass from Stark of 7, run of 8).

RICE 28, ALABAMA 6

Cotton Bowl—January 1, 1954

DALLAS, Texas.—A crestfallen player sorrowfully trudged off the field.

"I'm too emotional," he told a reporter. "I kept telling myself, 'I didn't do it. I didn't do it.' But I knew I had.

"I'm just too full of 'Bama. He just ran too close. I know I'll be hearing about this the rest of my life."

What Tommy Lewis, Alabama fullback, had done before 75,504 spectators in the 1954 Cotton Bowl game was the nearest thing to the wrong-way run by Roy Riegels 25 years before.

Rice was leading, 7 to 6, midway in the second quarter. The Owls were in possession on their own 5. Alabama had just muffed a scoring opportunity.

Left halfback Dickie Moegle's signal was called. Taking a hand-off from quarterback LeRoy Fenstemaker, he turned right end as his blockers did their job efficiently and headed for the Alabama goal line.

As Moegle approached midfield near the sidelines in front of the Alabama bench, it appeared no player could stop him. No one, that is, except Lewis, who was on the bench, suddenly ran onto the field bareheaded, and threw his body into Moegle's legs. Moegle was felled on Alabama's 41. Referee Cliff Shaw awarded a touchdown to Rice. Moegle was credited with a 95-yard run.

Although Tide coach Harold (Red) Drew said the Lewis incident had no demoralizing effect on his team, the Southeastern Conference champions were never the same again. A letdown was evident. Rice went on to smash Alabama, 28 to 6.

It was Lewis who plunged the final foot for a touchdown on a 47-yard advance in the first quarter.

Rice went ahead on Moegle's 79-yard scamper following by Fenstemaker's extra point. Dick scurried 34 yards for another touchdown in the third period. He gained 265 yards of his team's whopping 379 rushing. He carried the ball only 11 times, averaging 24.1 yard. After this game Moegle held four Cotton Bowl records and three all-time major bowl records.

At the half Lewis went directly to the Rice dressing room to ask if apologies would be accepted.

"My heart went out to him," Rice Coach Jess Neely said. "I told him, 'Don't let it bother you.'"

The Dallas Morning News, in an editorial written by managing editor Felix R. McKnight, a former sports writer, asked Texans to "drop Tommy Lewis a line . . . and let him know he hasn't lost his last friend . . . (he) committed a forgivable error that will live with him forever . . . he's quite a fighter—and we like them that way in Texas.

Rice	0	14	7	7	—	28
Alabama	6	0	0	0	—	6

RICE—Touchdowns: Moegle 3 (79, right tackle, 95, right end; 34, right end), Grantham (7, right tackle). Points after touchdown: Fenstemaker 3, Burk 1.

ALABAMA—Touchdown: Lewis (1, center plunge).

PENN STATE 7, ALABAMA 0

Liberty Bowl—December 19, 1959

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Perhaps it was fitting that this was the 13th bowl appearance by an Alabama team. Penn State bested Alabama, 7-0, before 36,211 frigid spectators. But it was the start of something that has run for 13 straight years—that of Paul William (Bear) Bryant taking an Alabama team bowling.

"We weren't a real strong team," says Bryant, "but that team would hit you. We had the makings of something good a couple of years later and it was important for them to get started in the bowl business."

The play that beat Alabama was one that Penn State coach Rip Engle put in just two days before the game. It was a fake field goal, quickly sprung and well executed, as the clock ran out ending the first half.

A 20-mile-an-hour gale held up punts all afternoon and Tommy White's punt just before halftime went only three yards. With the ball on Alabama's 18, second down and six yards to go, Penn State went into field goal formation without huddling. Quarterback Galen Hall knelt on the 25. Guard Sam Stellatella stood ready to kick. Hall took a high snap, rose and rolled to his right. Roger Kochman took the pass near the 20 and bolted for the goal line, charging behind a convoy of teammates. He was tripped near the end zone but fumbled it in.

"We were fortunate not to be beaten by four or five touchdowns," said Bryant. "We just got a good sound thrashing."

Penn State	0	7	0	0	—	7
Alabama	0	0	0	0	—	0

PENN STATE—Touchdown: Kochman (18, screen pass from Hall). Point after touchdown: Stellatella.

ALABAMA 3, TEXAS 3

Bluebonnet Bowl—December 17, 1960

HOUSTON, Texas—A unique field-goal standoff, something new in big league bowl action, left 68,000 fans neither happy nor hurt as Texas and Alabama fought to a 3 to 3 tie in the 1960 Bluebonnet Bowl defensive struggle.

It was a strange contest from this standpoint, too: if the Longhorns of Texas had won, they would have done so on a play that began after time had officially expired.

End Tommy Brooker kicked a 30-yard field goal to put Alabama in the lead in the third quarter when a drive stalled on the Texas 13.

Dan Petty, a third-team tackle, booted the equalizer. He kicked it from the 10. The play started on Alabama's 3. There were three minutes, 44 seconds remaining.

With 28 seconds to go, Texas took possession of the ball on its 48. An Alabama pass, thrown on fourth down, was complete. But it failed to make the required yardage. No doubt existed about what Texas would do.

The Crimson Tide secondary defense broke up Johnny Genung's first long fling. Alabama's Leon Fuller and Texas end Bob Moses both jumped for Genung's second lengthy throw. The big clock's second hand stopped at zero. Part of the crowd flocked onto the field thinking the game had ended. But a handkerchief had been dropped. Interference was called against Fuller. Since a game cannot end on a penalty, Texas was awarded another play.

The ball was placed on Alabama's 18. It would be a field-goal try, of course. Thumped from the 25 by Petty, who in the third quarter had missed from the same spot, it was wide to the left.

Earlier—late in the first quarter, Bobby Skelton tossed a look-in pass to end Bill Rice, who took it on the Texas 40 and ran to the 7 before David Russell overhauled him. It was a 49-yard gain.

On third down from the 3, Skelton cut in at left tackle. Millions watching on television thought he had carried the ball across the goal line before being halted. So did many at the game.

"I was in there," Skelton said. "I had chalk all over my jersey when I got up."

A moment later, fullback Bobby Richardson was stopped within an inch or two of scoring.

"Naturally, we all were hoping that last kick by Petty would go through," said Texas coach Darrell Royal. "But it would have been a shame to win it that way. I think the score was indicative of the comparative strength of the two teams."

At the awards dinner, taskmaster Bryant looked at his players, grinned, and said, sincerely, "I want to thank you tonight for putting up with me all this season. I know I've been rough at times, but I hope you won't hold it against me."

Alabama	0	0	3	0	—	3
Texas	0	0	0	3	—	3

ALABAMA—Field goal: Brooker (30, placekick).

TEXAS—Field goal: Petty (20, placekick).

ALABAMA 10, ARKANSAS 3

Sugar Bowl—January 1, 1962

NEW ORLEANS, La.—There were late season rumors that the Rose Bowl might relent on its tieup with the Big Ten and invite Alabama to play in Pasadena. Tide fans couldn't wait.

The Crimson Tide team, too, was hopeful, but the call never came from Pasadena, and Alabama's Bear Bryant took his undefeated National Championship team to New Orleans to face a tough Arkansas team. The Tide barely escaped with a 10-3 victory.

Starting a drive on its own 21, Alabama fullback Mike Fracchia, a high stepper with terrific drive, burst through two tackler's arms and sped 43 yards to the Arkansas 12 before being halted. Pat Trammell carried the ball on the next play, rolling wide to the left and through tackle. As teammates obliterated all opposition, Trammell ran unhindered into the end zone.

Placekick specialist Tim Davis toed a 32-yard field goal in the second quarter. A fumble, a missed field goal try and a holding penalty after a successful third quarter effort by the Tide kicking expert thwarted other penetrations.

Mickey Cissell got the Razorbacks on the scoreboard in the third quarter with a 23-yard placement.

Late in the game standout halfback Lance Alworth had a touchdown pass trickle off his fingertips that might have turned the game around.

Bryant was proud of this team. "Regardless of who was coaching them, they still would

have been a great team. I said early in the season that they were the nicest, even the sissiest bunch I'd ever had. I think they read it, because later on they got unfriendly."

Alabama allowed only 22 points and didn't allow Alabama's goal line to be crossed in the last seven games.

Alabama	7	3	0	0	—	10
Arkansas	0	0	3	0	—	3

ALABAMA—Touchdown: Trammell (12, left tackle). Point after touchdown: Davis. Field goal: Davis (32, placekick).

ARKANSAS—Field goal: Cissell (23, placekick).

ALABAMA 17, OKLAHOMA 0

Orange Bowl—January 1, 1963

MIAMI, Fla.—In the Alabama dressing room after the Crimson Tide's 17 to 0 Orange Bowl victory over Oklahoma, a photographer asked Coach Paul Bryant how to spell the name of a player whose picture he had just taken.

"That's Namath, son—N-A-M-A-T-H," Bryant said. "But don't worry about it. You'll learn how to spell it in the next couple of years."

If the cameraman was unfamiliar with the name, the crowd of 73,380 attending the 1963 Orange Bowl game and millions more watching on television were not.

Long before that game, Bryant said the precocious young man from Pennsylvania was ahead of Babe Parilli (whom he coached at Kentucky) as a sophomore. He rated Namath "potentially the finest quarterback I've ever coached."

Namath piloted his team 61 yards in ten plays for a touchdown in the first quarter. From the Oklahoma 25, he faked a handoff and a short pass, whirled, and sailed a long pass into end Dick Williamson's hands in the end zone.

A sleight of hand pitch-out of halfback Cotton Clark resulted in a 15-yard scoring sprint in the second period. It was the third play after Billy Piper returned a punt by Joe Don Looney to the Sooners' 34. First, Namath threw a pass to Williamson, good for 20 yards. Clark's touchdown was his sixteenth of the year.

Next, and finally, Namath conducted a Tide surge from Oklahoma's 33 to the 2. There, it was fourth down. Tim Davis, Bama's placekicking specialist, toed a 19-yard field goal. This third-quarter opportunity arose when Looney, the nation's leading punter with an average of 43.4 yards, was hurried by guard Frankie McClendon's rush and got off a kick of only seven yards.

Sooner backs were hounded relentlessly by swift-pursuing Bamans who on offense blocked to the end of every play. There were Charley Pell, Jimmy Wilson, Jimmy Sharpe, Bill Battle, Butch Wilson, Ed Versprille, Dan Kearley, and McClendon—all bristling with desire. But the greatest of all, in another superb performance, tackling and blocking, was Lee Roy Jordan.

He was as fine a linebacker as ever played in the South. Perhaps nobody else in college football in 1962 had his almost instinctive ability to seek out the ball carrier so quickly and bring him down so abruptly. It is doubtful if Bryant ever praised a player quite as much.

Fifteen seniors finished the best three years (29-2-2) Alabama ever knew in football. Only a matter of a few inches, the distance by which Jack Hurlbut failed to make a two-pointer after the only touchdown against Georgia Tech (Tech won, 7 to 6), apparently separated the Tide from two straight national championships.

Said Bryant: "Walking around the dressing room shaking hands with them after their last game, it was all I could do to keep from completely choking up. You just love them, that's all."

Alabama and Oklahoma struck the second richest pay lade in the game's history. In 1958, when the Columbia Broadcasting System paid \$275,000 for television and radio rights, Duke and Oklahoma each collected \$224,308.50. The American Broadcasting Company gave \$205,000 for those rights in 1963. Rival teams each got \$190,000, some of which, of course, was shared with schools in the Big Eight and Southeastern Conference.

One highlight of the game was that President John F. Kennedy attended.

Alabama	7	7	3	0	—	17
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0	—	0

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Williamson (25, pass from Namath), Clark (15, left end). Points after touchdown: Davis 2. Field goal: Davis (19, placekick).

ALABAMA 12, OLE MISS 7

Sugar Bowl—January 1, 1964

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Everyone knew that this wasn't just an ordinary Sugar Bowl game. It snowed on the eve of the game and that was just the first of some unusual occurrences.

With junior standout quarterback Joe Namath suspended for disciplinary reasons, sophomore Steve Sloan, showing the poise and savvy of a veteran, guided the Crimson Tide to a 12-7 victory over the heavily favored Ole Miss Rebels, but it took four Tim Davis field goals to turn the trick.

Davis' kicks of 31, 46, 22 and 48 yards earned the Columbus, Ga., senior the Outstanding Player award. His four field goals was a new bowl record and his 48-yarder was the longest in bowl history.

It was 3-0 after the first quarter, 9-0 at halftime and 12-0 going into the final quarter. Ole Miss finally got on the scoreboard when Larry Smith took a five-yard pass from Perry Lee Dunn. Billy Irwin kicked good and it ended just that way, 12-7, Alabama.

With snow piled on the edge of the playing field, the Tide put on a great display of how to win under adversity. The alert Crimson gobbled up six Ole Miss fumbles and intercepted three Rebel passes. And while Ole Miss piled up more yardage (248 to 194), it was Bama who controlled the football by running 69 plays to only 48 for the Rebels.

In the final quarter the Tide defense stopped the Rebels on its two, nine and 28-yard lines to show that its defense came ready to play.

Alabama	3	6	3	0	—	12
Ole Miss	0	0	0	7	—	7

ALABAMA—Field goals: Tim Davis (31, 46, 22, 48 yards).

OLE MISS—Touchdown: Smith (5-yard Dunn pass). Point after touchdown: Irwin (kick).

TEXAS 21, ALABAMA 17

Orange Bowl—January 1, 1965

MIAMI, Fla.—Gimpy legged Joe Namath put on one heckuva show and almost pulled a victory out of the fire, but the Texas Longhorns rose up to stop Namath inches short of the goal line late in the game and held on to win, 21-17, over the national champion Crimson Tide team.

Namath was a shoo-in for the game's MVP honors, hitting on 18 of 37 passes for 255 yards and two touchdowns. And his knee was hurting so much that he couldn't start the game.

Texas struck first, scoring with just 23 seconds left in the first quarter when big Ernie Koy sped 79 yards. In the second period Jim Hudson fired a 69-yard bomb to George Sauer to put Texas on top, 14-0.

The Tide battled back, marching 87 yards, with Namath passing seven yards to soph Wayne Trimble for the score.

Texas got a couple of breaks for its next score just before halftime. The Longhorns were seemingly stopped and went for a field goal, Creed Gilmer raced through to block it but Texas recovered the kick with enough yardage to retain possession. Next Hudson went back to pass, was dumped by Jim Simmons for a loss but on the play Alabama was guilty of holding a receiver downfield and it gave the Horns a first down on the Tide 13. Three plays later Koy went around right end from the one and it was 21-7 at halftime.

Namath then put the Tide into motion in the second half. He hit Tommy Tolleson, Wayne Cook and Ray Perkins for passes to move to the Texas 20, then hurled a perfect strike to Perkins for the score. In the fourth quarter Namath got the offense going again, only to bog down and have to settle for a David Ray field goal to cut it to 21-17.

Jimmy Fuller intercepted a Texas pass in the fourth quarter, then Namath and Steve Bowman moved the ball within inches of the Horn goal, but on fourth down Tommy Nobis and the Texas line stopped Namath and it ended Bama's hopes.

Alabama	0	7	7	3	—	17
Texas	7	14	0	0	—	21

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Trimble (7-yard Namath pass), Perkins (20-yard Namath pass). Field goal: David Ray (26-yards). Points after touchdown: Ray 2.

TEXAS—Touchdowns: Koy 2 (79-yard run, 1-yard run), Sauer (69-yard Hudson pass). Points after touchdown: Conway 3.

ALABAMA 39, NEBRASKA 28

Orange Bowl—January 1, 1966

MIAMI, Fla.—Alabama's cobra-quick Crimson Tide found out just before game time that a victory over Nebraska's big Cornhuskers would mean a second straight National Championship, since upsets earlier that day had set this game up as the National title playoff.

Striking with daring aggressiveness against the much larger Big Eight power, Alabama won 39-28, but the game really wasn't as close as the final score. Bama ran 86 plays to just 43 for the Huskers. It outgained Nebraska 518 to 377 in total offense and Bama's great quickness and speed just were too much.

Tom Somerville recovered a Nebraska fumble at the Bama 39 early in the game and in seven plays Bama was on the scoreboard, the payoff being a 2-yard pass from Steve Sloan to Ray Perkins.

Bob Churchich passed to Tony Jeter for a 33-yard TD in the second quarter to tie it at 7-all, but Bama promptly marched 89 yards to score, with Les Kelley ripping over from the four. Shortly afterwards Sloan hit Perkins with an 11-yard scoring aerial. The Tide then used the onside kick, recovery by Vernon Newbill, and moved to the Nebraska two before time almost ran out before David Ray could kick an 18-yard field goal and make it 24-7 at halftime.

Nebraska scored early in the third quarter, Churchich passing to Ben Gregory from a 49-yard score. Bama marched right back, though, with Steve Bowman cracking over from the one, then Sloan passed to Perkins for two points and it was 32-13. Churchich sneaked over from the one on the first play of the final quarter and it was 32-20.

Bowman got the next Tide touchdown with a three-yard run, Ray kicked and it was 39-20. Nebraska scored with 2:50 left when Jeter gathered in a 14-yard Churchich pass and Churchich passed to Gregory for a two-point PAT, making the final tally, 39-28, and with the victory the National Championship for Alabama's Crimson Tide.

Alabama	7	17	8	7	—	39
Nebraska	0	7	6	15	—	28

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Perkins 2 (21 and 11 yard passes from Sloan), Kelley (4-yard rush), Bowman 2 (1 and 1-yard rushes). Field goal: Ray (18 yards). Points after touchdowns: Ray 4 (kicks), Perkin (pass from Sloan).

NEBRASKA—Touchdowns: Jeter 2 (33 and 14 yard Churchich passes), Gregory (49 yard Churchich pass, Churchich (1-yard rush). Points after touchdown: Wachholtz 2 (kicks), Gregory (Churchich pass).

ALABAMA 34, NEBRASKA 7

Sugar Bowl—January 2, 1967

NEW ORLEANS, La.—It was billed as a classic rematch, Alabama vs. Nebraska, after the Crimson Tide had whipped the Cornhuskers, 39-28, the year before in Miami and won the national championship in so doing.

The 1966 season found Alabama unbeaten in 10 straight games, but frustrated at the polls since Notre Dame and Michigan State had battled to a 10-10 tie and were 1-2 in the ratings.

When Alabama got through with Nebraska this day, though, it went down in history as the finest performance anyone had seen. Alabama completely thrashed a good Nebraska team, 34-7.

"This was the greatest college team I've ever seen," said Bama's Bear Bryant afterwards. Nebraska's Bob Devaney certainly didn't argue.

On the first play from scrimmage Kenny Stabler faded back and lofted a strike to streaking Ray Perkins and it was a 45-yard gain to the Husker 27. Seven plays later big Les Kelley bulled his way into the end zone. The second time Bama had the ball, Stabler hit Perkins for a nine-yard gainer, then flipped to him again for a 42-yard gain to the Nebraska 20. After Stabler had connected to Dennis Homan for six yards, the crafty signal caller rolled out and sprinted 14-yards to score.

Before the first quarter was over Charlie Harris had recovered a fumble at the 39 and Steve Davis kicked a 30-yard field goal making it 17-0. The Tide took over early in the second quarter and marched 71 yards in 10 plays with Wayne Trimble scoring from the six, making it 24-0.

Then in the third quarter another Davis field goal, this one good for 40 yards pushed it to 27-0. Game Nebraska, hitting harder as the game wore on, scored early in the fourth quarter when Bob Churchich passed to Dick Davis for a 15-yard payoff aerial.

Moments later, however, Stabler and Perkins renewed their act and the result was a 45-yard touchdown pass play. Stabler hit 12 of 17 passes for 218 yards, gained 40 more on the ground and was the MVP with Perkins a close second.

Alabama	17	7	3	7	—	34
Nebraska	0	0	0	7	—	7

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Kelley (1-yard rush), Stabler (14-yard rush), Trimble (6-yard rush), Perkins (45-yard Stabler pass). Points after touchdown: Davis 4 (kicks). Field goals: Davis 2 (30 and 40 yards).

NEBRASKA—Touchdown: Davis (15-yard Churchich pass). Point after touchdown: Wachholtz (kick).

TEXAS A&M 20, ALABAMA 16

Cotton Bowl—January 1, 1968

DALLAS, Texas—It was cold, drizzly and wet in the Cotton Bowl and Texas A&M took advantage of five Crimson Tide turnovers to upset Bama, 20-16, with Coach Gene Stallings' Aggies winning the pupil vs. teacher matchup.

Alabama drove 80 yards in the first quarter with QB Kenny (Snake) Stabler going over from the three to put the Tide out front first. A&M intercepted a Sabler pass later in the period to set up the Aggie tying score. Edd Hargett passed 13 yards to Larry Stegent for the score.

On the first play of the second quarter Steve Davis booted a 36-yard field goal to give Bama its final lead of the day at 10-7. With just 16 seconds left on the first half clock, Hargett hit Tommy Maxwell with a 7-yard pass to put A&M out front, 13-10, at intermission.

It didn't take long for the A&M lead to push to 20-10 as the Aggies drove 52 yards in six plays with big Wendall Housley going over from the three.

But the Tide wasn't through. It took the kickoff and drove 83 yards in just nine plays, with Stabler racing over from the seven yard line. Bama tried to run for two points, but it failed and A&M led 20-16.

Time and time again in the fourth quarter Alabama threatened but the Aggie defense kept the Tide at bay. With just seconds left a Stabler pass was stolen by Curly Hallman, a youngster who grew up just across the river from Tuscaloosa in Northport. That sealed the Aggie victory.

Alabama	7	3	6	0	—	16
Texas A&M	7	6	7	0	—	20

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Stabler 2 (3 and 7 yards). Point after touchdown: Davis (kick). Field goal: Davis (36 yards).

TEXAS A&M—Touchdowns: Stegent (13-yard Hargett pass), Maxwell (7-yard Hargett pass), Housley (3-yard run). Points after touchdown: Riggs 2 (kick).

MISSOURI 35, ALABAMA 10

Gator Bowl—December 28, 1968

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—It was a close game for three quarters, but when the fourth period rolled around Missouri's powerful Tigers pushed home three touchdowns and routed Alabama, 35-10, before 68,011 in the 24th annual Gator Bowl.

It was the worst beating a Bryant coached Alabama team had ever suffered and the statistics tell the story.

Bama had minus 45 yards rushing and a total offense of just 23 yards. Missouri banked out 402 yards rushing, but didn't complete a single pass although it really wasn't necessary. Alabama made just six first downs to 21 for the Big Eight Tigers.

Missouri scored the first time they had the ball, driving 71 yards in 11 plays with Terry McMillan scoring from the four. Alabama tied it at 7-7 in the second quarter when Donnie Sutton intercepted a McMillan pass and raced 38-yards for the Bama score. Late in the second quarter the Tigers drove 55 yards in 13 plays, with McMillan going over from the five. A roughing the kicker penalty against the Tide kept Missouri's drive going, but at halftime it was 14-7, Missouri, and stayed that way going into the final period.

Mike Dean connected on a 25-yard field goal early in the final period to pull the Tide within striking distance, but a Missouri interception put the Tigers in business on the Bama 21 and it took six plays for McMillan to sweep over from the two, making it 21-10.

After the Tiger defense pushed Bama back to its eight, a bad Alabama punt put the ball on the Tide 36. Greg Cook raced in for a score. Alabama tried to go to the air to get back in contention, but Dennis Poppe snared one for the Tigers and sprinted 47 yards to close out the scoring and make it 35-10.

Alabama	0	7	0	3	—	10
Missouri	7	7	0	21	—	35

ALABAMA—Touchdown: Sutton (38-yard pass interception). Point after touchdown: Dean (kick). Field goal: Dean (28 yards).

MISSOURI—Touchdowns: McMillan 3 (4, 5 and 2 yard rushes), Cook (36-yard rush), Poppe (47-yard interception). Points after touchdown: Sangster 5 (kick).

COLORADO 47, ALABAMA 33

Liberty Bowl—December 13, 1969

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—The enthusiastic Liberty Bowl people wanted an offensive football game to enhance its reputation and brother did they get it when they matched Colorado and Alabama.

Colorado won, 47-33, in a wild one, but everyone scoring for Colorado but "Ralphie," its Buffalo mascot.

The Big Eight school scored on the opening drive, Ward Walsh blasting over from the 13 after driving 80 yards in eight plays. Later in the quarter Dave Haney kicked a 30-yard field goal to make it 10-0, Colorado.

Then it went to 17-0 as power running Bob Anderson barged over from four yards out to cap an 80-yard march in just eight plays. Alabama was stunned.

But the Tide got in a few surprises of its own, the payoff being pass minded Scott Hunter dashing 31 yards on a sneak to make it 17-7. Later in the quarter George Ranager took a pitchout and got a key block from Johnny Musso to score from the six and it was 17-13, as Bama went for two and failed.

But it took the Buffaloes only six plays to score again. Walsh popping over from the 15. Alabama wasn't finished, however, and drove 72 yards in seven plays to score, Musso going in from the two. Again the Tide went for two and failed, but it was 24-19 with just 46 seconds left in the first half.

Jim Duke's kickoff was fielded by Bob Masten on the Colorado nine, with Masten handing off to Steve Engle and he sped 91 yards to score and make it 31-19 at intermission. It was a dizzy first half of fireworks.

Alabama received to open the second half, then with second and 10 from its 45, Neb Hayden arched a long pass to Griff Langston who gathered it in and raced home to score, pulling the Tide within five points at 31-26.

Steve Williams intercepted a Colorado pass minutes later and the Tide was at it again. Hayden again went to the air and hit Musso with a 10-yard touchdown pass to put Alabama out in front in the hectic offensive show, 33-31. The third quarter ended that way.

Colorado marched 53 yards in 12 plays, with Anderson sliding off left tackle from the two to put the Buffs once again out front, 38-33. Alabama's Hayden was caught in the end zone later in the game for a safety, with Bob Brundidge and Herb Orvis getting to the battling Tide quarterback.

Then with time running out and trying to make a last ditch stand, Alabama went for it was fourth and 18 from its own 18. Hayden couldn't find a receiver open in the split second he had to look and was snowed under at his own 11 to turn the ball over. Colorado's Anderson went over from the three with just 45 seconds left and it ended up, 47-33.

Alabama	0	19	14	0	—	33
Colorado	10	21	0	16	—	47

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Hunter (31-yard run), Ranager (6-yard run), Musso 2 (2-yard run and 10-yard Hayden pass), Langston (55-yard Hayden pass). Points after touchdown: Buck 3 (kick).

COLORADO—Touchdowns: Anderson 3 (4, 2 and 3-yard runs), Walsh 2 (13 and 15-yard runs), Engel (91-yard kickoff return). Points after touchdown: Haney 6 (kick). Field goal: Haney (30 yards). Safety: Brundidge and Orvis tackled Hayden in end zone.

ALABAMA 24, OKLAHOMA 24

Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl—December 31, 1970

HOUSTON, Texas—Two offensive-minded football teams battled to a 24-24 deadlock in Houston's famed Astrodome in the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl battle as Alabama and Oklahoma battled tooth-and-nail down to the wire.

There was a total of 843 yards total offense in the game, showing that defense just wasn't anything to write home about, although both teams did make some key stops along the way.

Alabama scored first. Tight end Randy Moore gathered in a four-yard Scott Hunter pass to cap a 54-yard, eight play drive. Oklahoma marched right back to tie the game, though, with Joe Wylie scoring from the two. It was 7-7 after one quarter and they were just warming up.

Bama was within the shadows of Oklahoma's goal, only to have an interception kill a drive. The Sooners got a 58-yard scoring play out of swift-moving Greg Pruitt to go on top, 14-7.

Then it went to 21-7, as Pruitt got a key block from Wylie and dashed 25 yards to score after a Bama field goal attempt was no good. With just 14 seconds left before half-time, Hunter hit David Bailey with a five-yard scoring pass and it was 21-14, Oklahoma, at halftime.

In the third quarter Richard Ciemny kicked a 20-yard field goal to narrow it to 21-17. Then come the big fourth quarter. With 7:36 left, fourth down from the Sooner 25, Johnny Musso took a handoff and started wide to his right. He stopped, fired a left-handed pass back to quarterback Hunter and it caught the Okies napping, with Hunter making a dash for his life to score. Alabama led, 24-21.

With only 59 seconds left, OU field goal specialist Bruce Derr hit on 42-yard attempt to tie the game at 24-all. But Alabama had one last shot. Oklahoma tried an onside kick, but it didn't go anywhere and the Tide had it at the OU 40. Musso broke-loose for 21 yards to the 19. Dave Brungard got two yards, then Hunter was hit for a yard loss, and with just five seconds left Bama called time out. Ciemny lined up for a 34-yard field goal try that would win the game, only to have John Shelley get a hand on it and deflect the attempt to preserve the tie.

Alabama	7	7	3	7	—	24
Oklahoma	7	14	0	3	—	24

ALABAMA—Touchdowns: Moore (4-yard Hunter pass), Bailey (5-yard Hunter pass), Hunter (25-yard Musso pass). Points after touchdown: Ciemny 3 (kick). Field goal: Ciemny (20 yards).

OKLAHOMA—Touchdowns: Pruitt 2 (58 and 25-yard runs), Wylie (2-yard run). Points after touchdown: Derr 3 (kick). Field goal: Derr (42 yards).

Alabama's 1972 Football Schedule

Sept. 9	Duke	Birmingham
Sept. 23	Kentucky	Alabama*
Sept. 30	Vanderbilt	Alabama*
Oct. 7	Georgia	Athens
Oct. 14	Florida	Alabama*
Oct. 21	Tennessee	Knoxville
Oct. 28	Southern Mississippi	Alabama*
Nov. 4	Mississippi State	Alabama*
Nov. 11	Louisiana State	Alabama*
Nov. 18	Virginia Tech.	Alabama*
Dec. 2	Auburn	Birmingham

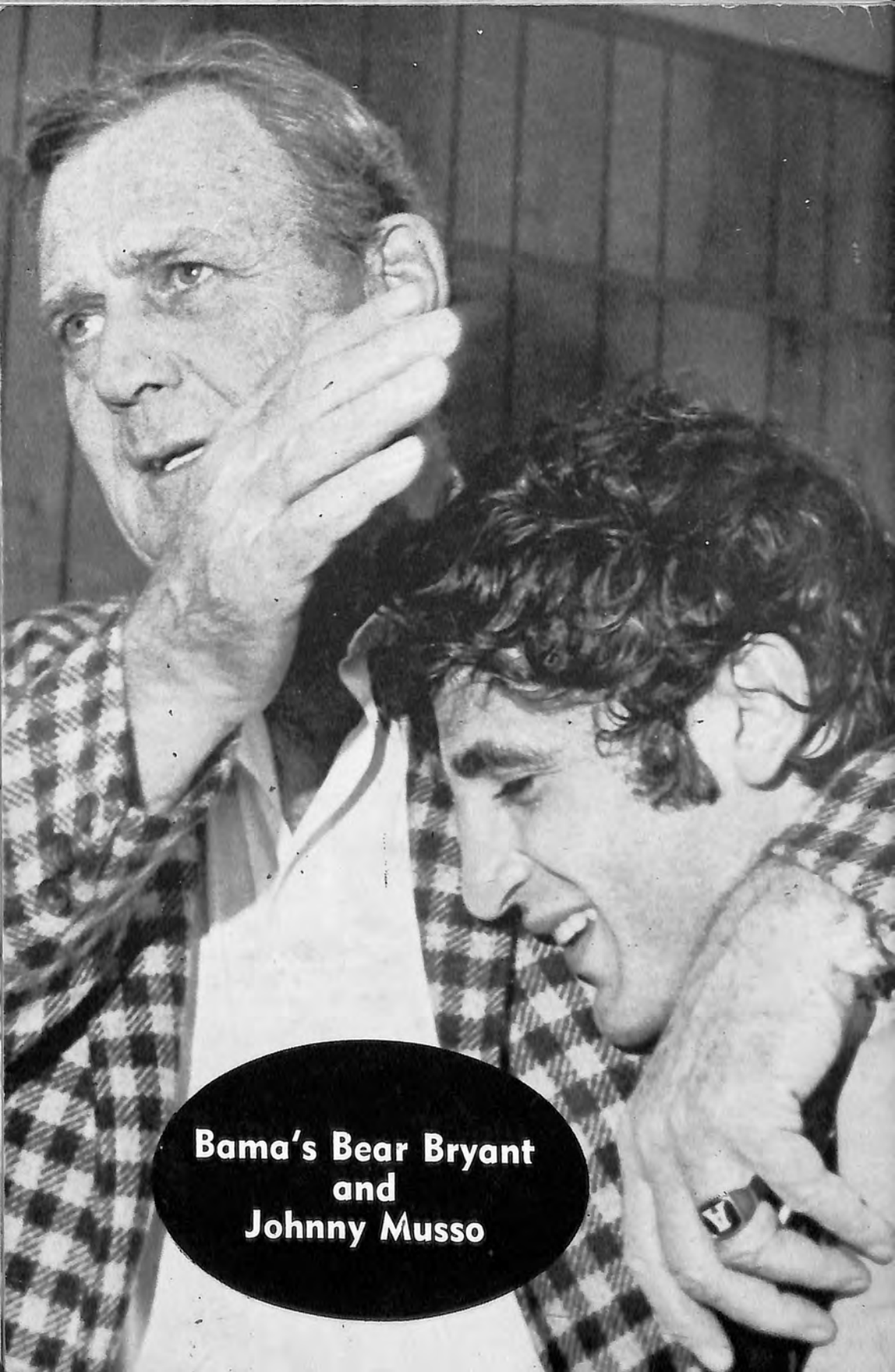
* Exact home sites to be named in January.

ALABAMA'S TRAINING PLANS FOR COLLEGE FOOTBALL'S "SUPER BOWL" CLASSIC GAME

Alabama returned to light work on Monday, December 6, mostly running by the players on their own in sweats, then on Monday, December 13 started game preparations for college football's "Super Bowl" game against Nebraska. The Crimson Tide will fly to Miami on the morning of December 26th. Team quarters will be the Americana Hotel on Miami Beach, with workouts being held at Miami Military Academy. The team will return to Tuscaloosa on January 3rd.

KEY TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR ORANGE BOWL GAME

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Alabama Football Offices	Area Code 205, 348-6161
Alabama Ticket Office	Area Code 205, 348-6111
Americana Hotel	Area Code 305, 865-7511
Orange Bowl Publicity (Nat Tashman)	Area Code 305, 649-9967
Charley Thornton (Home in Tuscaloosa)	Area Code 205, 553-1731
Orange Bowl Press Room (Regency Hotel)	865-9322 & 865-0839



**Bama's Bear Bryant
and
Johnny Musso**